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CORRECTIONS

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Rates per 1,000 women 15-44 (residents) 1972 for 11.47 read 11.27

EXPLANATORY NOTES

1. General

The Abortion Act 1967, which came into effect on 27th April 1968, permits termination of pregnancy by a registered medical practitioner subject to certain conditions. Regulations made under the Act (The Abortion Regulations 1968, Statutory Instrument 1968 No.390 as amended by 1969 No.636, in relation to England and Wales) require any such termination to be notified within seven days, in a form prescribed in Schedule 2 of the principal Regulations, to the Chief Medical Officer of the Department of Health and Social Security or to the Chief Medical Officer of the Welsh Office, according to where the termination takes place. By arrangement the Office of Population Censuses and Surveys undertakes the statistical processing and analysis of the notification forms. This supplement to the Registrar General's Statistical Review gives some statistics derived from them for England and Wales for 1973. The following paragraphs set out the background to these statistics and the definitions used in compiling them.

2. Conditions of the Act

A legally induced abortion must be

- (a) performed by a registered medical practitioner,
- (b) performed, except in emergency, in a National Health Service Hospital or in a place for the time being approved for the purpose of the Act,
- (c) certified by two registered medical practitioners as necessary on one or other of the grounds:

1. the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk to the life of the pregnant woman greater than if the pregnancy were terminated
2. the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk of injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman greater than if the pregnancy were terminated
3. the continuance of the pregnancy would involve risk of injury to the physical or mental health of any existing children of the family greater than if the pregnancy were terminated
4. there is a substantial risk that if the child were born it would suffer from such physical or mental abnormalities as to be seriously handicapped

or in emergency, certified by the operating practitioner as immediately necessary-

5. to save the life of the pregnant woman, or
6. to prevent grave permanent injury to the physical or mental health of the pregnant woman.

The above numbering of the grounds for termination appears in the notification form itself, and is used for brevity in the tables. Combinations of grounds are not infrequently recorded, and the tabulations distinguish two such: 2 and 4 together, and 3 with any others (usually 2 and/or 4). Where ground 1 is stated with any other, the case is treated as ground 1.

The Act provides that in relation to grounds numbered above as 2 and 3 the certifying practitioner may take account of the pregnant woman's actual or reasonably foreseeable environment.

3. Scope of data

The figures in the main tables are derived from notification forms received during 1973 and up to the end of January 1974 relating to legally induced abortions which took place in England and Wales in 1973.

The relative categories of the *International Classification of Diseases, Injuries, and Causes of Death, 8th Revision (1965)* are those numbered 640 (abortion induced for medical indications) and 641 (abortion induced for other legal indications).

Tables 2, 4B, 5, 7-12, 14 and 16-22, being primarily of demographic rather than medical interest, exclude abortions of women whose usual residence was stated to be outside England and Wales. These are shown separately in **Table 15**.

4. Rates

Tables 2A and **B** give annual abortion rates for England and Wales as a whole and for standard regions according to the declared usual residence of the woman. The denominator is the estimated population of women in the age range 15-49 at mid 1973. Since population estimates by marital status do not distinguish separated women (included with married) while the abortion notification form distinguishes single, married, widowed, and divorced or separated women, abortion rates are given only for single and ever-married (married, widowed, divorced or separated). (See note 6). As population estimates by marital status for regions are not available, regional rates are age-specific only.

5. Category of premises

Except in emergency, abortion operations must be carried out in NHS hospitals, in certain approved Services' hospitals, or in other premises specifically approved by the Secretary of State. At the end of 1973 there were 57 such approved places and 13 approved Services' hospitals. In the tables these latter hospitals are included under the heading 'Other Places'.

In 1973 no operation was recorded as having been performed, as an emergency, in a place other than those in the three categories of premises mentioned.

6. Age and marital status

The notification form asks for the woman's date of birth and the age tabulated is that at the last birthday before the operation. The categories of marital status distinguished on the notification form are (a) single (b) married (c) widowed (d) divorced or separated. Except in **Tables 8, 14 and 15(ii)**, the relatively small categories (c) and (d) are combined for tabulation purposes. This classification differs from that used in compiling population estimates. (See note 4).

7. Parity

The form requires the number of the woman's previous (a) live births (b) stillbirths (c) abortions to be stated. In **Tables 7, 9 and 10** analysis is by the number of previous live births, and in **Tables 5 and 16C(i)** by the number of live births and stillbirths together. Answers under (c) are probably incomplete.

8. Previous abortion under the Act

A question on the form about the date of the last termination of pregnancy under the Act enables cases of previous therapeutic abortion since 27th April 1968, to be identified. These are shown in **Table 16C(iii)** by the woman's age and hospital region of residence.

9. Operation

Five main operative methods are listed on the form, with provision for specifying any other method. Where more than one is used, in **Tables 1A(v), 13 and 16C(iv)** the case is classified under the major operation.

10. Gestation period

The form provides for a statement of the date of the last menstrual period as well as the date of operation. In accordance with international convention the gestation period is calculated as the number of completed weeks between these two dates. Where the l.m.p. is stated vaguely, for example as in 'early April' or 'third week in June', a guessed single date is inserted, such as the 7th April and 22nd June. When no date is stated for a case it is included in the 'not stated' category.

11. Duration of stay

Duration of stay in hospital or approved place is tabulated as the interval in days between date of admission and date of discharge (the latter actual or expected). An interval of 0 days means admission and discharge on the same date. As notification forms should be completed and forwarded within seven days of operation, the tabulated durations are limited at the upper end to '7 days and over'. A date of discharge was not stated and could not be inferred in 6% of cases resident in England and Wales.

12. Region of operation

Hospitals and approved places are classified to the hospital region in which they are situated, except that London teaching hospitals are shown as a separate group. The composition of hospital regions in terms of entire local government areas is set out in the Registrar General's Statistical Review from year to year, e.g. the 1972 volume, Part II, pages xxxi-xxxiv.

13. Area of residence

Tables 2, 15, 16, 17 and 18 are derived from the statement of the woman's usual address. In so far as temporary residence in England and Wales may sometimes be stated, instead of the true usual residence, figures in Table 15 may be incomplete. Table 17 is limited to standard regions, hospital regions, conurbations, aggregates of types of area and local government areas with a resident population of 100,000 and over. Figures for smaller areas are not provided in the interests of preserving confidentiality.

The composition of standard regions and conurbations is set out in the Registrar General's Statistical Review from year to year, e.g. the 1972 volume, Part II, pages xv-xxx.

14. Sterilisation

Tables 4B, 10 and 11B provide analyses of cases where sterilisation accompanied the abortion operation, and Tables 16B and 16C(vi) give some additional figures for regions. Where no answer was provided to the question, it was assumed that sterilisation was not performed unless the nature of the operation implied the opposite; all women who were stated to have had hysterectomy have been counted among those sterilised.

15. Occupation

The form asks for the woman's occupation, or that of her husband if she is married. Unfortunately, the information provided under this heading is often incomplete or too vague or general to permit satisfactory classification. However, in view of the sociological interest, an attempt has been made to analyse the data in terms of groups of occupations, whether of the woman or her husband, which correspond (to some extent) with conventional social classes used in various of the Registrar General's publications. Since, however, assessment of job status is not always possible, the classification is not strictly that of social class. These groups of occupations, presented in Tables 8, 9, 10, 11, 18, 20 and 21 are:

Professional: e.g. doctors, architects, lecturers.

Intermediate: e.g. nurses, sales managers, entertainers.

Skilled: e.g. secretaries, salesmen, hairdressers.

Semi-skilled: e.g. waitresses, farm workers, telephonists.

Unskilled: e.g. kitchen hands, dock labourers, window cleaners.

Not classified: e.g. students, housewives, members of the Armed Forces, occupations inadequately described or not stated, unemployed.

16. Existing children

Tables 11A and B analyse the data according to the number of existing children living in the woman's family. These are defined on the form as a woman's natural children and any adopted, foster or step-children up to the age of 16 years living with her.

17. Medical grounds

Questions 11(a) and (b) on the notification form ask about the medical condition of the woman in terms of any obstetric or non-obstetric disease found or reported and any suspected medical condition of the foetus. The answers are coded according to the *International Classification of Diseases, Injuries and Causes of Death, 8th Revision (1965)*, slightly adapted to the context of abortions. In particular, Category 307 (Transient situational disturbances) is used as a residual group and includes general and miscellaneous terms and vague references to the mental state of the pregnant woman, e.g. mental health (risk to), mental illness (risk of), attempted suicide or tendency to suicide. Also included are disorders not specified as psychotic associated with other or unspecified physical conditions, which would otherwise be included in ICD 309.9. Two codes outside the range of the ICD 649 and 669, have been added to accommodate certain reported conditions, as described in **Table 19**. The large variety of medical conditions reported are aggregated into significant groups of the International Classification (ICD) code numbers and presented in **Table 19**. This shows numbers of conditions and not numbers of cases.

18. Environmental and other conditions (non-medical)

Question 11(c) on the notification form asks about non-medical grounds for termination, pursuant to the statutory provision that certifying practitioners may take account of 'the pregnant woman's actual or reasonably foreseeable environment' in relation to statutory grounds 2 and 3. Apart from some cases where question 11(c) was mistakenly answered by a reference back to the statutory grounds already stated, thirty one per cent (34,360) of all cases included some information about social conditions. These were cited in most cases in addition to medical reasons. The reasons, as the practitioner has seen fit to record them, have been classified to broad social groupings which have been used in the analysis shown in **Table 12**. Where more than one condition was stated an arbitrary order of priority was used for selecting the condition to be tabulated.

19. Complications or death

The question under this heading relates to the occurrence of complications or death prior to notification of an abortion. Notification should be made within seven days and the notifying doctor may not hear of complications or death occurring after the patient has been discharged from the place of operation. Data available from answers to this question will, from time to time, be analysed and discussed and published in medical journals.

Deaths recorded on the forms totalled 6, including two women who were not normally resident in England or Wales. On reference to the death certificate in each case it was found that the certifying practitioner or coroner had not necessarily attributed cause of death to the abortion operation but sometimes to the illness which was considered the underlying cause of death. Of the 4 deaths of resident women, in 2 cases abortion was shown to be the underlying cause, whilst in the remaining 2, death was attributed to other conditions. The method of operation, period of gestation and age at death are presented in **Table 22**.

TABLES

TABLE 1A. Legally induced abortions by age of woman and:-

- (SUMMARY)
- (i) marital status
- (ii) category of premises
- (iii) statutory grounds
- (iv) gestation weeks
- (v) operation

England and Wales, 1973

Residents and Non-residents

	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
All legally induced abortions	167,149	3,660	31,838	44,209	33,121	24,623	18,382	8,079	736	2,501
(i) Marital status										
Single	82,026	3,658	30,252	31,265	10,781	3,242	1,318	371	27	1,112
Married	71,426	2	1,256	10,150	18,101	18,277	14,874	6,952	655	1,159
Widowed, divorced or separated	13,499	-	313	2,750	4,201	3,064	2,163	747	53	208
Unknown	198	-	17	44	38	40	27	9	1	22
(ii) Category of premises										
NHS hospitals	55,637	2,243	10,258	11,081	10,704	8,971	7,240	3,640	368	1,132
Approved places	111,040	1,402	21,483	33,049	22,305	15,585	11,085	4,415	364	1,352
Other places	472	15	97	79	112	67	57	24	4	17
(iii) Statutory grounds*										
1	5,271	43	600	1,469	1,117	802	761	377	28	74
2	126,046	3,558	30,091	37,143	22,680	14,709	10,761	4,787	454	1,863
3	3,672	11	145	632	938	917	670	257	28	74
4	1,191	5	104	309	399	198	87	46	11	32
5	7	-	-	3	1	3	-	-	-	-
6	12	-	2	-	2	3	3	1	-	1
2 with 4	1,219	10	120	212	256	225	178	162	31	25
3 with others	29,731	33	776	4,441	7,728	7,766	5,922	2,449	184	432
(iv) Gestation weeks†										
Under 9 weeks	38,878	459	4,738	9,273	8,566	7,326	5,575	2,215	162	564
9 to 12 weeks	92,424	1,938	18,269	24,700	18,155	13,332	9,901	4,449	404	1,276
13 weeks and over	32,186	1,121	8,251	9,399	5,643	3,423	2,493	1,241	145	470
Not stated	3,661	142	580	837	757	542	413	174	25	191
(v) Operation										
Hysterotomy - abdominal	5,156	103	410	644	1,001	1,154	1,055	644	60	85
Hysterotomy - vaginal	133	6	13	13	32	23	32	10	2	2
Hysterectomy	752	1	5	22	76	156	250	186	36	20
Vacuum aspiration	85,536	1,946	16,799	21,942	17,015	12,698	9,431	4,035	349	1,321
Dilatation and evacuation	48,533	798	8,949	13,909	9,869	6,967	5,088	2,089	184	680
Other types of termination	5,283	426	1,548	1,351	841	471	329	182	20	115
Multiple methods, including										
Not stated	21,756	380	4,114	6,328	4,287	3,154	2,197	933	85	278

* For statutory grounds see page v.

† For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 1B. Legally induced abortions. Quarterly and annual notifications;
(SERIAL) annual occurrences for residents of England and Wales and non-residents
by category of premises; rates per 1,000 women ages 15-44 (residents)

England and
Wales
1968-1973

Year	Notifications received				Occurrences reported						
	Quarter				Total	Total	Residents		Non-residents		Rates per 1,000 women 15-44 (residents)
	1st	2nd	3rd	4th			In NHS Hospital	Non NHS	In NHS Hospital	Non NHS	
1968 (8 months)	-	4,411	7,938	9,907	22,256	23,641	14,492	7,840	68	1,241	3.46
1969	11,342	13,116	13,871	15,828	54,157	54,819	33,562	16,267	166	4,824	5.26
1970	17,742	21,082	22,253	22,774	83,851	86,565	47,370	28,592	308	10,295	7.97
1971	22,808	31,202	34,449	38,315	126,774	126,777	53,455	41,115	251	31,956	10.03
1972	37,166	39,190	39,972	40,386	156,714	159,884	56,861	51,704	225	51,094	11.27
1973	43,457	40,930	41,029	43,946	169,362	167,149	55,456	55,112	181	56,400	11.39

TABLE 2A. Legally induced abortions by age and marital status, with rates per 1,000 women

England and Wales, 1973
Residents

Marital status	Under 15	15-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45 and over*	Not stated	Numbers	
								Total 15 and over†	
All	820	25,750	26,728	37,346	17,606	525	1,793	109,748	
Married	-	843	6,305	23,822	14,503	466	827	46,766	
Single	820	24,614	18,072	7,756	845	16	776	52,079	
Widowed	-	10	48	314	319	12	10	713	
Divorced/separated	-	268	2,276	5,398	1,916	30	159	10,047	
Unknown	-	15	27	56	23	1	21	143	
Rates‡									
All	-	15.43	15.65	11.52	6.26	0.35	-	11.39	9.88
Single	-	16.19	26.08	22.23	4.52	0.14	-	18.66	17.94
Married/widowed/divorced/separated	-	7.58	8.52	10.22	6.39	0.37	-	8.40	7.02

* Rates per 1,000 women aged 45-49.

† Including age not stated.

‡ Cases of unknown marital status are distributed proportionately.

TABLE 2B. Legally induced abortions by age and
area of residence, with rates per 1,000 women

Area of residence	All ages	Under 16	16-19*	20-24	25-34	35-44	45 and over†	Not stated	Total 16 and over‡
Numbers									
ENGLAND AND WALES	110,568	3,090	23,480	26,728	37,346	17,606	525	1,793	107,478
Standard regions:									
North	5,835	182	1,323	1,234	1,869	1,112	38	77	5,653
Yorkshire and Humberside	8,428	282	1,925	1,750	2,753	1,572	49	97	8,146
North West	12,604	362	2,846	3,062	4,038	2,081	57	158	12,242
East Midlands	6,131	220	1,471	1,222	2,038	1,072	19	89	5,911
West Midlands	11,722	381	2,841	2,644	3,740	1,893	65	158	11,341
East Anglia	2,994	119	630	602	996	576	18	53	2,875
South East	50,625	1,158	9,606	13,562	17,947	7,148	210	994	49,467
South West	7,113	252	1,706	1,526	2,276	1,174	41	138	6,861
Wales	5,116	134	1,132	1,126	1,689	978	28	29	4,982
Urban and rural aggregates:									
Conurbations	48,416	1,084	9,289	13,556	16,810	6,643	179	855	47,332
Areas outside conurbations:									
Urban areas with populations of 100,000 and over	13,981	449	3,316	3,428	4,381	2,159	51	197	13,532
Urban areas with populations of 50,000 and under 100,000	10,643	331	2,524	2,445	3,355	1,755	65	168	10,312
Urban areas with populations under 50,000	21,037	755	4,789	4,285	7,001	3,764	127	316	20,282
Rural districts	16,491	471	3,562	3,014	5,799	3,285	103	257	16,020
Rates									
ENGLAND AND WALES	-	-	14.07	15.66	11.52	6.26	0.35	-	9.84
Standard regions:									
North	-	-	11.05	11.16	9.04	5.72	0.37	-	7.70
Yorkshire and Humberside	-	-	11.65	10.72	8.95	5.72	0.34	-	7.71
North West	-	-	12.30	13.35	9.37	5.47	0.28	-	8.29
East Midlands	-	-	12.64	10.32	8.81	5.41	0.18	-	7.68
West Midlands	-	-	15.97	15.07	10.65	6.31	0.41	-	9.76
East Anglia	-	-	11.09	9.95	8.64	5.95	0.36	-	7.58
South East	-	-	16.72	21.38	15.14	7.15	0.40	-	12.62
South West	-	-	13.08	12.15	9.41	5.55	0.34	-	8.27
Wales	-	-	11.75	12.55	9.83	6.31	0.32	-	8.31

* Rates per 1,000 women aged 15-19.

† Rates per 1,000 women aged 45-49.

‡ Rates per 1,000 women aged 15-49. Not stated ages included.

Note. Rates are not given for urban and rural aggregates as population estimates are not yet available.

TABLE 2C. Legally induced abortions by age and area of residence

England and Wales, hospital regions 1973

Residents

Area of residence	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-34	35-44	45 and over	Not stated	Total 16 and over
Numbers									
ENGLAND AND WALES	110,568	3,090	23,480	26,728	37,346	17,606	525	1,793	107,478
Hospital regions:									
Newcastle	5,399	169	1,219	1,144	1,741	1,028	36	62	5,230
Leeds	5,709	185	1,257	1,236	1,863	1,067	31	70	5,524
Sheffield	8,246	286	2,005	1,616	2,707	1,484	38	110	7,960
East Anglian	3,146	122	663	625	1,051	609	19	57	3,024
North West Metropolitan	16,041	282	2,610	4,721	5,931	2,066	51	380	15,759
North East Metropolitan	8,492	171	1,766	2,020	2,974	1,316	36	209	8,321
South East Metropolitan	8,484	233	1,847	2,055	2,889	1,286	44	130	8,251
South West Metropolitan	11,495	232	2,016	3,462	4,095	1,458	47	185	11,263
Wessex	3,475	148	797	739	1,159	543	25	64	3,327
Oxford	4,391	172	989	904	1,462	783	17	64	4,219
South Western	6,170	212	1,475	1,352	1,980	1,005	31	115	5,958
Welsh	5,116	134	1,132	1,126	1,689	978	28	29	4,982
Birmingham	11,722	381	2,841	2,644	3,740	1,893	65	158	11,341
Manchester	8,316	277	1,844	1,958	2,707	1,386	36	108	8,039
Liverpool	4,366	86	1,019	1,126	1,358	704	21	52	4,280

Note. Abortion rates are not given in this table as population estimates for hospital regions are not yet available.

TABLE 3. Legally induced abortions by age, category of premises and marital status

Category of premises and marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
All premises										
Total	167,149	3,660	31,838	44,209	33,121	24,623	18,382	8,079	736	2,501
Single	82,026	3,658	30,252	31,265	10,781	3,242	1,318	371	27	1,112
Married	71,426	2	1,256	10,150	18,101	18,277	14,874	6,952	655	1,159
Widowed/divorced/separated	13,499	-	313	2,750	4,201	3,064	2,163	747	53	208
Unknown	198	-	17	44	38	40	27	9	1	22
NHS hospitals										
Total	55,637	2,243	10,258	11,081	10,704	8,971	7,240	3,640	368	1,132
Single	21,169	2,243	9,602	6,099	1,877	589	256	64	6	433
Married	28,511	-	476	3,669	7,017	7,155	6,043	3,243	336	572
Widowed/divorced/separated	5,852	-	170	1,291	1,792	1,209	927	530	25	108
Unknown	105	-	10	22	18	18	14	3	1	19
Approved places										
Total	111,040	1,402	21,483	33,049	22,305	15,585	11,085	4,415	364	1,352
Single	60,697	1,400	20,563	25,129	8,891	2,653	1,061	307	21	672
Married	42,615	2	771	6,441	10,989	11,058	8,777	3,685	315	577
Widowed/divorced/separated	7,635	-	142	1,457	2,405	1,852	1,234	417	28	100
Unknown	93	-	7	22	20	22	13	6	-	3
Other places										
Total	472	15	97	79	112	67	57	24	4	17
Single	160	15	87	37	13	-	1	-	-	7
Married	300	-	9	40	95	64	54	24	4	10
Widowed/divorced/separated	12	-	1	2	4	3	2	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE 4A. Legally induced abortions by age, statutory grounds and marital status

Statutory grounds*	Marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
1	Total	5,271	43	600	1,469	1,117	802	761	377	28	74
	Single	2,196	42	549	1,027	395	91	41	16	-	35
	Married	2,807	1	49	395	643	656	661	339	27	36
	Widowed/divorced/separated	257	-	2	43	79	52	56	21	1	5
	Unknown	11	-	-	4	-	3	3	1	-	-
2	Total	126,046	3,558	30,091	37,143	22,680	14,709	10,761	4,787	454	1,863
	Single	76,492	3,557	29,020	28,936	9,665	2,813	1,133	316	26	1,026
	Married	40,991	1	826	6,291	10,587	10,065	8,347	4,026	393	675
	Widowed/divorced/separated	8,410	-	228	1,878	2,618	1,803	1,264	440	35	144
	Unknown	153	-	17	38	30	28	17	5	-	18
3	Total	3,672	11	145	632	938	917	670	257	28	74
	Single	405	11	94	154	87	37	7	3	1	11
	Married	2,579	-	37	543	632	718	560	216	24	49
	Widowed/divorced/separated	682	-	14	135	219	160	101	57	5	15
	Unknown	6	-	-	-	-	2	2	1	-	1
4	Total	1,191	5	104	309	399	198	87	46	11	32
	Single	138	5	61	48	12	6	4	-	2	2
	Married	1,020	-	45	255	377	185	79	43	9	29
	Widowed/divorced/separated	31	-	-	6	10	6	4	3	1	1
	Unknown	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	1	-
5	Total	7	-	-	3	1	3	-	-	-	-
	Single	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Married	6	-	-	2	1	3	-	-	-	-
	Widowed/divorced/separated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
6	Total	12	-	2	-	2	3	3	1	-	1
	Single	4	-	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	Married	8	-	-	-	1	3	3	1	-	-
	Widowed/divorced/separated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 with 4	Total	1,219	10	120	212	256	225	178	162	31	25
	Single	271	10	106	88	31	20	5	7	-	4
	Married	890	-	13	114	210	200	162	144	29	18
	Widowed/divorced/separated	58	-	1	10	15	5	11	11	2	3
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 with others	Total	29,731	33	776	4,441	7,728	7,766	5,922	2,449	184	432
	Single	2,519	33	420	1,011	590	275	128	29	-	33
	Married	23,125	-	288	2,750	5,870	6,447	5,062	2,183	173	352
	Widowed/divorced/separated	4,061	-	68	678	1,260	1,038	727	235	11	44
	Unknown	26	-	-	2	8	6	5	2	-	3

* For statutory grounds see page v.

TABLE 4B. Legally induced abortions by statutory grounds, gestation weeks and category of premises, with and without sterilisation

Statutory grounds*	Category of premises	Total	Gestation weeks†													24 and over	Not stated
			Under 9	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17-19	20-23				
Total	NHS																
	Sterilised	11,434	1,520	1,587	1,916	1,775	1,442	1,018	639	410	253	332	101	20	421		
	Not sterilised	44,022	7,411	6,866	7,681	6,989	5,118	3,092	1,764	1,061	846	1,222	386	71	1,515		
	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	484	131	84	68	66	38	28	15	13	8	11	8	3	11		
	Not sterilised	54,628	14,991	9,634	8,754	7,069	5,084	3,193	1,921	1,148	721	818	338	48	909		
1	NHS																
	Sterilised	358	49	45	52	57	37	39	22	10	8	13	7	2	17		
	Not sterilised	601	115	88	98	113	54	30	16	13	9	19	12	8	26		
2	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	9	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	1	
	Not sterilised	260	75	53	41	35	24	15	7	3	3	3	3	1	-	2	
3	NHS																
	Sterilised	6,624	865	923	1,144	1,005	838	592	349	251	144	202	51	11	249		
	Not sterilised	33,680	5,653	5,286	5,827	5,299	3,934	2,396	1,375	834	657	943	286	43	1,147		
4	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	269	83	41	40	33	17	15	9	9	4	5	5	2	6		
	Not sterilised	44,317	11,561	7,730	7,206	5,831	4,286	2,703	1,618	985	608	717	289	44	739		
5	NHS																
	Sterilised	1,098	144	160	192	161	154	91	69	43	22	24	7	-	31		
	Not sterilised	2,203	364	317	412	377	256	153	82	43	45	64	11	1	78		
6	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	26	8	7	6	2	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not sterilised	193	64	34	36	21	15	5	3	2	2	3	1	-	7		
2 and 4	NHS																
	Sterilised	159	18	17	16	22	18	14	9	6	8	12	6	3	10		
	Not sterilised	910	127	122	119	129	106	88	54	38	25	43	25	5	29		
3 with others	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not sterilised	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	-	
6	NHS																
	Sterilised	4	2	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
	Not sterilised	6	-	-	1	1	1	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	
2 and 4	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
3 with others	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	10	3	3	-	4	-	9	-	-	-	-	1	5	-	4	
	Not sterilised	169	56	31	22	16	18	9	5	-	2	1	5	-	-	4	
3 with others	NHS																
	Sterilised	2,961	406	410	477	490	378	267	173	91	64	69	26	2	108		
	Not sterilised	6,121	1,054	977	1,149	1,013	708	393	219	119	94	124	40	10	221		
3 with others	Non NHS																
	Sterilised	168	34	29	21	31	15	13	6	3	4	6	1	1	4	4	
	Not sterilised	9,644	3,223	1,778	1,446	1,156	736	460	288	157	106	93	42	4	155		

* For statutory grounds see page v.

† For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 5. Legally induced abortions by age, number of previous live and still born children and marital status

Previous live and still born children	Marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
0	Total	52,691	3,063	21,735	17,517	6,442	1,905	884	321	31	793
	Single	47,190	3,063	21,348	15,618	4,716	1,171	465	115	13	681
	Married	3,736	-	287	1,315	1,110	482	283	167	16	76
	Widowed/divorced/separated	1,712	-	89	571	609	243	133	38	2	27
	Unknown	53	-	11	13	7	9	3	1	-	9
1	Total	12,843	26	1,406	4,297	3,407	1,790	1,156	513	34	214
	Single	4,268	26	896	1,932	940	281	103	21	1	68
	Married	5,764	-	361	1,471	1,610	1,025	772	407	27	91
	Widowed/divorced/separated	2,789	-	146	888	851	483	280	85	6	50
	Unknown	22	-	3	6	6	1	1	-	-	5
2	Total	20,003	1	288	3,227	5,969	5,106	3,588	1,346	141	337
	Single	927	1	85	386	260	115	55	10	1	14
	Married	15,961	-	163	2,233	4,650	4,287	3,013	1,205	130	280
	Widowed/divorced/separated	3,088	-	40	603	1,051	698	515	131	10	40
	Unknown	27	-	-	5	8	6	5	-	-	3
3	Total	13,474	-	36	1,263	3,520	3,891	3,101	1,329	114	220
	Single	289	-	7	96	104	45	22	8	1	6
	Married	11,398	-	26	961	2,870	3,357	2,708	1,191	102	183
	Widowed/divorced/separated	1,764	-	3	203	541	481	387	129	11	29
	Unknown	23	-	-	3	5	8	4	1	-	2
4	Total	6,638	-	4	334	1,342	2,036	1,835	888	82	117
	Single	138	-	2	33	41	38	21	3	-	-
	Married	5,684	-	2	254	1,096	1,718	1,617	814	77	106
	Widowed/divorced/separated	808	-	-	47	203	279	194	70	4	11
	Unknown	8	-	-	-	2	1	3	1	1	-
5	Total	2,707	-	-	52	460	753	840	492	56	54
	Single	38	-	-	2	15	10	6	2	-	3
	Married	2,332	-	-	45	375	643	728	446	50	45
	Widowed/divorced/separated	333	-	-	5	70	99	104	43	6	6
	Unknown	4	-	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-
6	Total	1,204	-	1	10	140	321	426	260	29	17
	Single	21	-	-	2	6	5	5	2	-	1
	Married	1,020	-	1	8	101	274	366	230	27	15
	Widowed/divorced/separated	163	-	-	-	33	42	55	28	2	3
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
7	Total	465	-	-	4	31	98	187	136	17	12
	Single	4	-	-	1	-	2	1	-	-	-
	Married	419	-	-	2	26	89	144	129	17	12
	Widowed/divorced/separated	39	-	-	1	4	6	21	7	-	-
	Unknown	3	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-
8	Total	204	-	-	1	12	39	72	68	9	3
	Single	5	-	-	-	2	-	1	2	-	-
	Married	179	-	-	1	8	34	65	59	9	5
	Widowed/divorced/separated	20	-	-	-	2	5	6	7	-	-
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
9 and over	Total	178	-	-	-	2	21	65	75	11	4
	Single	3	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-
	Married	154	-	-	-	2	16	59	63	10	4
	Widowed/divorced/separated	21	-	-	-	-	4	5	11	1	-
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated	Total	161	-	10	23	40	21	27	17	1	22
	Single	16	-	6	2	3	-	-	1	-	3
	Married	119	-	3	15	32	17	24	13	1	14
	Widowed/divorced/separated	23	-	-	6	5	3	5	5	-	5
	Unknown	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	2

TABLE 6. Legally induced abortions by age,
 gestation weeks and marital status

Gestation weeks* and marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
Under 9 weeks										
Total	38,878	459	4,738	9,273	8,566	7,326	5,575	2,215	162	564
Single	16,639	459	4,528	6,835	3,065	1,010	401	106	7	228
Married	19,236	-	179	2,007	4,597	5,507	4,601	1,905	143	297
Widowed/divorced/separated	2,967	-	29	425	896	804	565	201	12	35
Unknown	36	-	2	6	8	5	8	3	-	4
9 to 12 weeks										
Total	92,424	1,938	18,269	24,700	18,155	13,332	9,901	4,449	404	1,276
Single	45,452	1,936	17,380	17,413	5,677	1,621	667	185	9	564
Married	39,413	2	709	5,671	10,131	10,026	8,047	3,864	364	599
Widowed/divorced/separated	7,456	-	173	1,595	2,320	1,660	1,174	397	30	107
Unknown	103	-	7	21	27	25	13	3	1	6
13 weeks and over										
Total	32,186	1,121	8,251	9,399	5,643	3,423	2,493	1,241	145	470
Single	18,409	1,121	7,812	6,514	1,846	559	222	72	11	252
Married	11,019	-	332	2,212	2,928	2,330	1,895	1,038	125	159
Widowed/divorced/separated	2,715	-	100	660	867	528	370	128	9	53
Unknown	43	-	7	13	2	6	6	3	-	6
Not stated										
Total	3,661	142	580	837	757	542	413	174	25	191
Single	1,526	142	532	503	193	52	28	8	-	68
Married	1,758	-	36	260	445	414	331	145	23	104
Widowed/divorced/separated	361	-	11	70	118	72	54	21	2	13
Unknown	16	-	1	4	1	4	-	-	-	6

* For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 7A. Legally induced abortions: all women
by number of previous live born children and by age

Age	Total	Number of previous live born children									
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 and over	Not stated	
All ages	110,568	52,865	12,990	20,370	13,324	6,382	2,581	1,119	767	170	
10	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
11	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
12	14	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
13	108	106	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
14	693	690	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Under 15	820	815	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
15	2,270	2,248	21	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	
16	5,082	4,992	86	2	-	-	-	-	-	2	
17	5,775	5,532	222	18	2	-	-	-	-	1	
18	6,374	5,850	449	66	7	-	-	-	-	2	
19	6,249	5,371	648	192	27	4	-	1	-	6	
Under 20	26,570	24,808	1,431	279	36	4	-	1	-	11	
20	5,954	4,692	844	342	68	6	-	-	-	2	
21	5,606	4,057	829	546	148	17	2	1	-	6	
22	5,282	3,530	826	643	226	44	5	-	-	8	
23	4,989	2,866	912	789	319	84	12	2	2	3	
24	4,897	2,425	897	915	466	159	21	6	2	6	
20-24	26,728	17,570	4,308	3,235	1,227	310	40	9	4	25	
25	4,871	2,042	866	1,122	562	204	55	10	2	8	
26	4,881	1,727	822	1,242	742	245	70	18	7	8	
27	4,014	1,154	633	1,223	651	248	71	20	5	9	
28	3,855	863	621	1,222	716	279	103	30	12	9	
29	3,744	703	497	1,256	783	320	125	41	11	8	
25-29	21,365	6,489	3,439	6,065	3,454	1,296	424	119	37	42	
30	3,684	625	463	1,229	803	385	104	56	16	3	
31	3,239	429	395	1,078	742	374	123	63	28	7	
32	3,040	327	339	983	773	384	139	53	36	6	
33	3,045	286	318	1,001	775	408	153	67	31	6	
34	2,973	263	323	949	757	406	181	60	31	3	
30-34	15,981	1,930	1,838	5,240	3,850	1,957	700	299	142	25	
35	2,846	232	279	894	723	415	173	90	34	6	
36	2,698	199	276	843	687	365	167	79	78	4	
37	2,504	189	230	744	647	378	171	93	46	6	
38	2,178	176	217	651	531	321	155	59	61	7	
39	1,935	114	184	554	503	297	144	71	64	4	
35-39	12,161	910	1,186	3,686	3,091	1,776	810	392	283	27	
40	1,768	119	162	475	438	278	156	70	67	3	
41	1,374	80	131	354	343	216	133	61	51	5	
42	1,085	59	118	257	266	169	104	53	53	6	
43	760	54	87	173	175	104	71	48	46	2	
44	458	19	33	128	106	80	38	19	34	1	
40-44	5,445	331	531	1,387	1,328	847	502	251	251	17	
45	261	11	19	71	58	45	24	16	17	-	
46	150	11	10	43	24	25	19	8	9	1	
47	65	6	4	14	19	4	7	4	7	-	
48	27	1	2	7	11	3	3	-	-	-	
45-48	503	29	35	135	112	77	53	28	33	1	
49 and over	22	2	2	9	2	3	2	1	1	-	
Not stated	1,793	796	220	334	224	112	50	19	16	22	

TABLE 7B. Legally induced abortions: married
women by number of previous live born children and by age

England and Wales, 1973

Residents

Age	Total	Number of previous live born children								
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 and over	Not stated
All ages	46,766	3,796	5,902	16,328	11,292	5,469	2,218	953	682	126
16	23	15	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
17	84	34	43	5	2	-	-	-	-	-
18	279	107	126	39	6	-	-	-	-	1
19	457	133	184	117	18	2	-	1	-	2
Under 20	843	289	361	161	26	2	-	1	-	3
20	701	188	241	215	52	5	-	-	-	-
21	999	239	276	357	106	15	2	-	-	4
22	1,259	272	304	469	175	29	5	-	-	5
23	1,481	297	321	550	239	59	9	2	1	3
24	1,865	330	348	663	369	125	20	5	1	4
20-24	6,305	1,326	1,490	2,254	941	233	36	7	2	16
25	2,182	304	359	851	449	164	40	8	2	5
26	2,506	292	384	960	596	202	50	12	5	5
27	2,284	204	323	956	519	198	57	14	5	8
28	2,405	176	312	967	595	223	90	25	9	8
29	2,503	148	258	1,020	661	264	105	31	8	8
25-29	11,880	1,124	1,636	4,754	2,820	1,051	342	90	29	34
30	2,539	133	253	1,010	667	332	81	47	13	3
31	2,378	106	239	895	636	320	100	52	25	5
32	2,318	80	200	831	670	329	124	46	33	5
33	2,386	80	196	866	682	342	132	59	24	5
34	2,321	91	180	806	660	340	158	54	29	3
30-34	11,942	490	1,068	4,408	3,315	1,663	595	258	124	21
35	2,245	80	172	745	624	356	154	77	32	5
36	2,160	67	177	704	603	321	152	68	64	4
37	2,004	57	155	631	556	338	139	81	42	5
38	1,786	52	165	551	481	289	139	47	56	6
39	1,584	44	125	471	441	265	115	61	58	4
35-39	9,779	300	794	3,102	2,705	1,569	699	334	252	24
40	1,524	63	124	426	395	257	141	62	55	1
41	1,168	38	98	311	304	192	119	55	47	4
42	960	30	107	226	246	155	99	45	47	5
43	656	31	69	157	155	97	61	41	43	2
44	416	12	30	117	96	72	36	18	34	1
40-44	4,724	174	428	1,237	1,196	773	456	221	226	13
45	235	6	17	64	51	44	21	15	17	-
46	135	7	8	41	23	22	18	7	8	1
47	57	3	4	13	17	4	5	4	7	-
48	24	-	1	7	10	3	3	-	-	-
45-48	451	16	30	125	101	73	47	26	32	1
49 and over	15	-	-	8	-	3	2	1	1	-
Not stated	827	77	95	279	188	102	41	15	16	14

TABLE 7C. Legally induced abortions: single women by number of previous live born children and by age

Age	Total	Number of previous live born children								
		0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 and over	Not stated
All ages	52,899	47,258	4,236	908	287	124	37	19	12	18
10	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
11	4	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	14	14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
13	108	106	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
14	693	690	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Under 15	820	815	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15	2,270	2,248	21	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
16	5,054	4,974	76	2	-	-	-	-	-	2
17	5,669	5,489	166	13	-	-	-	-	-	1
18	6,013	5,708	282	21	1	-	-	-	-	1
19	5,608	5,184	369	44	6	2	-	-	-	3
Under 20	25,434	24,418	919	81	7	2	-	-	-	7
20	4,957	4,428	437	79	11	1	-	-	-	1
21	4,183	3,703	383	78	17	1	-	1	-	-
22	3,577	3,127	354	70	18	7	-	-	-	1
23	2,951	2,443	393	81	23	10	-	-	-	-
24	2,404	1,947	351	70	22	11	1	1	-	1
20-24	18,072	15,648	1,918	378	91	30	1	2	1	3
25	1,975	1,581	284	73	24	8	4	-	-	1
26	1,601	1,286	223	53	26	5	4	2	-	2
27	1,068	823	162	51	24	6	2	-	-	-
28	823	588	161	42	19	8	2	2	1	-
29	620	455	102	34	15	10	3	-	1	-
25-29	6,087	4,733	932	253	108	37	15	4	2	3
30	559	415	91	28	13	3	4	3	2	-
31	374	263	58	31	12	6	2	-	1	1
32	272	198	44	18	4	7	-	1	-	-
33	253	172	40	18	11	9	2	1	-	-
34	211	129	46	20	6	8	2	-	-	-
30-34	1,669	1,177	279	115	46	33	10	5	3	1
35	181	117	27	23	6	7	1	-	-	-
36	164	105	30	16	6	4	1	1	1	-
37	138	102	20	5	5	2	2	1	1	-
38	114	89	8	10	1	4	-	1	1	-
39	83	56	16	2	3	2	2	-	-	-
35-39	680	469	101	56	21	19	6	5	3	-
40	53	42	5	3	2	-	1	-	-	-
41	50	31	7	3	5	1	1	1	-	-
42	30	21	1	2	1	2	-	1	1	1
43	24	18	5	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
44	8	5	1	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
40-44	165	117	19	10	8	3	2	2	3	1
45	5	4	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
46	4	3	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
47	3	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45-48	13	11	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
49 and over	3	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Not stated	776	683	67	14	5	-	3	1	-	3

TABLE 8. Legally induced abortions by age
occupation group and marital status

England and Wales, 1973

Residents

Occupation group	Marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
All groups	Total	110,568	3,090	23,480	26,728	21,365	15,981	12,161	5,445	525	1,793
	Single	52,899	3,090	22,344	18,072	6,087	1,669	680	165	16	776
	Married	46,766	-	843	6,305	11,880	11,942	9,779	4,724	466	827
	Widowed	713	-	10	48	161	153	202	117	12	10
	Divorced/separated	10,047	-	268	2,276	3,208	2,190	1,481	435	30	159
Professional	Unknown	143	-	15	27	29	27	19	4	1	21
	Total	2,228	-	48	299	615	601	434	171	24	36
	Single	359	-	34	137	126	41	13	3	-	5
	Married	1,776	-	14	148	464	533	404	162	22	29
	Widowed	6	-	-	-	-	1	4	1	-	-
Intermediate	Divorced/separated	85	-	-	13	25	25	13	5	2	2
	Unknown	2	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
	Total	15,502	9	1,596	4,565	3,590	2,581	2,026	822	78	235
	Single	7,816	9	1,520	3,826	1,695	432	176	37	1	120
	Married	6,546	-	70	572	1,552	1,871	1,605	712	74	90
Skilled	Widowed	82	-	-	8	14	18	22	18	1	1
	Divorced/separated	1,046	-	4	156	327	259	222	54	2	22
	Unknown	12	-	2	3	2	1	1	1	-	2
	Total	40,779	264	10,468	10,200	7,595	5,548	4,181	1,847	155	521
	Single	21,053	264	10,107	7,221	2,243	611	270	63	11	263
Semi-skilled	Married	16,670	-	284	2,319	4,391	4,299	3,421	1,617	134	205
	Widowed	169	-	2	8	34	32	50	39	2	2
	Divorced/separated	2,855	-	69	646	920	600	436	126	8	50
	Unknown	32	-	6	6	7	6	4	2	-	1
	Total	13,745	72	3,057	3,386	2,676	1,996	1,551	755	68	184
Unskilled	Single	6,463	72	2,887	2,234	827	238	90	33	2	80
	Married	6,001	-	135	865	1,504	1,455	1,250	649	57	86
	Widowed	68	-	1	3	8	21	18	15	2	-
	Divorced/separated	1,203	-	33	281	334	282	191	58	7	17
	Unknown	10	-	1	3	3	-	2	-	-	1
*Not classified	Total	4,171	19	895	877	815	651	578	253	28	55
	Single	1,366	19	794	359	128	38	10	2	-	16
	Married	2,464	-	82	450	606	540	496	230	25	35
	Widowed	27	-	-	-	4	7	7	6	1	2
	Divorced/separated	310	-	19	67	75	65	65	15	2	2
	Unknown	4	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-	-
*Not classified	Total	34,143	2,726	7,416	7,401	6,074	4,604	3,391	1,597	172	762
	Single	15,842	2,726	7,002	4,295	1,068	309	121	27	2	292
	Married	13,309	-	258	1,951	3,363	3,244	2,603	1,354	154	382
	Widowed	361	-	7	29	101	74	101	38	6	5
	Divorced/separated	4,548	-	143	1,113	1,527	959	554	177	9	66
	Unknown	83	-	6	13	15	18	12	1	1	17

* Main components of the 'not classified' group in the above table are:

Occupation	Total	Single	Married	Others
Not stated	16,105	5,378	8,758	1,969
Not occupied or student	10,716	9,739	662	315
Housewife	6,506	568	3,265	2,673

TABLE 9. Legally induced abortions by age, number of previous live born children and occupation group

Previous live born children	Occupation group	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
Total	Total	110,568	3,090	23,480	26,728	21,365	15,981	12,161	5,445	525	1,793
	Professional	2,228	-	48	299	615	601	434	171	24	36
	Intermediate	15,502	9	1,596	4,565	3,590	2,581	2,026	822	78	235
	Skilled	40,779	264	10,468	10,200	7,595	5,548	4,181	1,847	155	521
	Semi-skilled	13,745	72	3,057	3,386	2,676	1,996	1,551	755	68	184
	Unskilled	4,171	19	895	877	815	651	578	253	28	55
0	Not classified	34,143	2,726	7,416	7,401	6,074	4,604	3,391	1,597	172	762
	Total	52,865	3,063	21,745	17,570	6,489	1,930	910	331	31	796
	Professional	607	-	41	208	85	30	13	1	9	9
	Intermediate	8,192	8	1,517	3,898	1,852	494	221	67	5	130
	Skilled	21,659	259	9,982	7,266	2,552	757	413	143	16	271
	Semi-skilled	6,144	72	2,792	2,105	752	228	84	37	2	72
1	Unskilled	1,319	19	785	537	102	36	15	10	-	15
	Not classified	14,944	2,705	6,628	3,756	1,011	330	147	61	7	299
	Total	12,990	26	1,405	4,308	3,439	1,838	1,186	531	37	220
	Professional	302	-	4	51	113	59	50	19	3	3
	Intermediate	1,788	1	64	423	579	365	230	85	7	34
	Skilled	4,444	5	402	1,454	1,201	663	446	201	12	60
2	Semi-skilled	1,763	-	218	618	460	229	143	70	3	22
	Unskilled	488	-	73	180	104	58	47	21	1	4
	Not classified	4,205	20	644	1,582	982	464	270	135	11	97
	Total	20,370	1	278	3,235	6,065	5,240	3,686	1,387	144	334
	Professional	707	-	2	30	190	253	156	50	9	17
	Intermediate	2,904	-	10	187	772	929	697	251	25	33
3	Skilled	6,876	-	73	1,021	2,087	1,809	1,258	498	42	88
	Semi-skilled	2,536	-	38	437	763	614	462	171	15	36
	Unskilled	820	-	33	205	227	168	129	41	4	13
	Not classified	6,527	1	122	1,355	2,026	1,467	984	376	49	147
	Total	13,324	-	36	1,227	3,454	3,850	3,091	1,328	114	224
	Professional	422	-	1	10	75	148	128	52	5	3
4	Intermediate	1,638	-	3	48	288	532	497	227	18	25
	Skilled	4,423	-	7	363	1,179	1,327	1,026	431	29	61
	Semi-skilled	1,708	-	6	169	450	465	398	180	17	23
	Unskilled	722	-	3	120	230	143	164	49	4	9
	Not classified	4,411	-	16	517	1,232	1,235	878	389	41	103
	Total	6,382	-	4	310	1,296	1,957	1,776	847	80	112
5	Professional	129	-	-	-	13	43	46	20	3	4
	Intermediate	663	-	-	7	75	204	243	113	13	8
	Skilled	2,020	-	1	72	413	626	598	267	20	23
	Semi-skilled	906	-	2	50	176	291	236	122	11	18
	Unskilled	420	-	1	30	99	132	96	52	4	6
	Not classified	2,244	-	-	151	520	661	557	273	29	53
6	Total	2,581	-	-	40	424	700	810	502	55	50
	Professional	43	-	-	-	3	12	17	9	2	-
	Intermediate	194	-	-	1	16	36	91	41	7	2
	Skilled	773	-	-	12	116	230	233	154	18	10
	Semi-skilled	384	-	-	3	52	100	121	97	4	7
	Unskilled	223	-	-	5	36	66	68	38	7	3
7 and over	Not classified	964	-	-	19	201	256	280	163	17	28
	Total	1,119	-	1	9	119	299	392	251	29	19
	Professional	12	-	-	-	-	1	6	5	-	-
	Intermediate	67	-	-	-	4	14	24	22	1	2
	Skilled	327	-	-	2	31	94	118	71	6	5
	Semi-skilled	182	-	-	3	16	47	66	37	10	3
Not stated	Unskilled	100	-	-	-	11	27	37	20	4	1
	Not classified	431	-	1	4	57	116	141	96	8	8
	Total	767	-	-	4	37	142	283	251	34	16
	Professional	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	-
	Intermediate	41	-	-	-	2	4	18	15	2	-
	Skilled	220	-	-	4	9	36	80	79	11	1
Not stated	Semi-skilled	112	-	-	-	3	21	40	40	6	2
	Unskilled	74	-	-	-	5	19	21	22	4	3
	Not classified	317	-	-	-	18	62	124	93	10	10
	Total	170	-	11	25	42	25	27	17	1	22
	Professional	3	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-
	Intermediate	15	-	2	1	2	3	5	1	-	1
	Skilled	37	-	3	6	7	6	9	3	1	2
	Semi-skilled	10	-	1	1	4	1	1	1	-	1
	Unskilled	5	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	1
	Not classified	100	-	5	17	27	13	10	11	-	17

TABLE 10. Legally induced abortions with sterilisation: age by number of previous live born children and occupation group

Previous live born children	Occupation group	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
Total	Total	11,918	3	42	661	2,393	3,289	3,336	1,827	168	199
	Professional	240	-	-	3	37	68	81	42	7	2
	Intermediate	1,073	-	1	20	137	310	363	203	19	20
	Skilled	3,523	-	9	190	715	987	1,005	534	43	40
	Semi-skilled	1,515	-	2	96	302	417	406	249	21	22
	Unskilled	786	-	5	55	172	211	215	108	10	10
	Not classified	4,781	3	25	297	1,030	1,296	1,266	691	68	105
0	Total	217	3	20	24	27	39	55	41	3	5
	Professional	6	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-	-
	Intermediate	23	-	1	-	2	4	11	4	1	-
	Skilled	58	-	5	6	4	8	18	16	-	1
	Semi-skilled	19	-	1	6	2	4	3	3	-	-
	Unskilled	10	-	1	3	2	1	1	2	-	-
	Not classified	101	3	12	9	17	22	19	13	2	4
1	Total	495	-	7	37	70	102	143	121	10	5
	Professional	8	-	-	-	-	1	1	3	2	1
	Intermediate	66	-	-	1	8	19	16	19	1	2
	Skilled	158	-	-	12	19	30	56	37	4	-
	Semi-skilled	58	-	1	3	8	12	16	17	1	-
	Unskilled	26	-	2	-	5	6	5	8	-	-
	Not classified	179	-	4	21	30	34	49	37	2	2
2	Total	3,175	-	9	215	728	903	839	382	46	53
	Professional	91	-	-	2	19	33	24	10	3	-
	Intermediate	364	-	-	8	63	114	113	55	6	5
	Skilled	943	-	2	69	215	266	251	122	6	12
	Semi-skilled	368	-	-	26	90	99	107	36	7	3
	Unskilled	147	-	2	12	32	43	37	17	1	3
	Not classified	1,262	-	5	98	309	348	307	142	23	30
3	Total	3,551	-	6	252	809	1,007	913	476	35	53
	Professional	87	-	-	1	13	20	33	19	1	-
	Intermediate	335	-	-	9	38	109	102	65	4	8
	Skilled	1,072	-	2	66	260	311	263	146	12	12
	Semi-skilled	452	-	-	48	102	116	114	62	4	6
	Unskilled	227	-	-	30	68	49	62	16	1	1
	Not classified	1,378	-	4	98	328	402	339	168	13	26
4	Total	2,341	-	-	111	466	713	663	323	29	36
	Professional	33	-	-	-	5	10	12	4	1	1
	Intermediate	180	-	-	2	20	49	67	35	4	3
	Skilled	706	-	-	29	140	217	219	85	7	9
	Semi-skilled	316	-	-	12	61	110	77	48	3	5
	Unskilled	176	-	-	7	39	57	50	20	2	1
	Not classified	930	-	-	61	201	270	238	131	12	17
5	Total	1,132	-	-	16	199	288	372	213	20	24
	Professional	11	-	-	-	-	4	7	-	-	-
	Intermediate	62	-	-	-	5	6	36	14	1	-
	Skilled	311	-	-	5	53	84	94	63	8	4
	Semi-skilled	161	-	-	1	24	37	53	41	1	4
	Unskilled	111	-	-	3	17	33	34	18	3	3
	Not classified	476	-	-	7	100	124	148	77	7	13
6	Total	542	-	-	2	61	145	190	125	11	8
	Professional	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-
	Intermediate	29	-	-	-	1	5	12	8	1	2
	Skilled	154	-	-	-	16	48	59	27	2	2
	Semi-skilled	86	-	-	-	10	25	24	21	4	2
	Unskilled	48	-	-	-	6	12	16	13	1	-
	Not classified	223	-	-	2	28	55	78	55	3	2
7 and over	Total	429	-	-	3	25	85	152	138	14	12
	Professional	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	Intermediate	12	-	-	-	-	3	5	3	1	-
	Skilled	112	-	-	3	5	22	42	36	4	-
	Semi-skilled	53	-	-	-	3	14	12	21	1	2
	Unskilled	40	-	-	-	3	9	10	14	2	2
	Not classified	211	-	-	-	14	37	83	63	6	8
Not stated	Total	36	-	-	1	8	7	9	8	-	3
	Professional	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
	Intermediate	2	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-
	Skilled	9	-	-	-	3	1	3	2	-	-
	Semi-skilled	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
	Unskilled	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	Not classified	21	-	-	1	3	4	5	5	-	3

TABLE 11A. Legally induced abortions by number of existing children, marital status and occupation group

England and Wales, 1973

Residents

Marital status and Occupation group	Existing children												
	Total	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 and over	Not stated
All													
Total	110,568	54,666	12,409	20,136	12,808	5,886	2,310	938	365	146	59	48	797
Professional	2,228	633	294	699	398	126	42	11	1	1	-	-	23
Intermediate	15,502	8,444	1,661	2,893	1,549	598	177	61	19	5	3	1	91
Skilled	40,779	22,353	4,184	6,775	4,266	1,851	680	283	109	36	10	14	218
Semi-skilled	13,745	6,456	1,651	2,506	1,661	818	338	135	49	28	5	7	91
Unskilled	4,171	1,404	478	823	687	413	195	89	33	12	9	2	26
Not classified	34,143	15,376	4,141	6,440	4,247	2,080	878	359	154	64	32	24	348
Single													
Total	52,899	48,020	3,571	797	255	108	39	14	3	3	-	1	88
Professional	359	346	10	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intermediate	7,816	7,227	460	89	19	5	-	1	-	-	-	-	15
Skilled	21,053	19,728	1,086	163	37	15	4	-	1	-	-	-	19
Semi-skilled	6,463	5,712	536	108	48	24	11	4	1	-	-	-	18
Unskilled	1,366	1,212	114	20	11	3	-	3	-	-	-	-	3
Not classified	15,842	13,795	1,365	414	140	61	24	6	1	2	-	1	33
Married													
Total	46,766	4,517	5,991	16,283	10,947	5,080	1,990	817	331	128	54	43	585
Professional	1,776	255	679	392	123	42	9	1	1	-	-	-	21
Intermediate	6,546	862	885	2,527	1,417	547	159	56	17	5	2	1	68
Skilled	16,670	1,674	2,226	5,847	3,947	1,729	641	272	107	36	10	14	167
Semi-skilled	6,001	488	766	2,049	1,420	717	296	119	45	26	5	7	63
Unskilled	2,464	139	270	709	624	385	182	82	33	12	8	1	19
Not classified	13,309	1,099	1,591	4,472	3,147	1,579	670	279	128	48	29	20	247
Widowed/divorced/separated													
Total	10,760	2,067	2,828	3,030	1,585	692	277	106	31	15	5	4	120
Professional	91	30	31	17	6	3	-	2	-	-	-	-	2
Intermediate	1,128	348	314	276	112	45	18	4	2	-	1	-	8
Skilled	3,024	935	866	759	279	107	34	11	1	-	-	-	32
Semi-skilled	1,271	250	349	348	191	77	31	11	3	1	-	-	10
Unskilled	337	50	94	93	52	25	13	4	-	-	1	1	4
Not classified	4,909	454	1,174	1,537	945	435	181	74	25	14	3	3	64
Unknown													
Total	143	62	19	26	21	6	4	1	-	-	-	-	4
Professional	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intermediate	12	7	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Skilled	32	16	6	6	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Semi-skilled	10	6	-	1	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Unskilled	4	3	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not classified	83	28	11	17	15	5	3	-	-	-	-	-	4

TABLE 11B. Legally induced abortions with sterilisation by number of existing children, marital status and occupation group

England and Wales, 1973

Residents

Marital status and Occupation group	Existing children												
	Total	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10 and over	Not stated
All													
Total	11,918	379	586	3,242	3,468	2,192	1,031	467	204	79	39	30	201
Professional	240	7	11	92	83	29	10	3	-	-	-	-	5
Intermediate	1,073	39	77	365	313	170	57	26	9	1	-	-	16
Skilled	3,523	105	183	975	1,059	651	275	133	60	15	8	7	52
Semi-skilled	1,515	38	80	374	449	290	143	68	25	12	3	5	28
Unskilled	786	22	31	162	212	174	97	50	16	6	6	2	8
Not classified	4,781	168	204	1,274	1,352	878	449	187	94	45	22	16	92
Single													
Total	288	80	36	56	43	39	21	7	2	1	-	-	3
Professional	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intermediate	14	7	2	5	3	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Skilled	40	18	5	3	6	4	3	-	1	-	-	-	-
Semi-skilled	49	8	9	7	8	8	6	2	1	-	-	-	-
Unskilled	12	5	-	1	-	2	-	3	-	-	-	1	-
Not classified	172	42	19	42	27	25	12	2	-	1	-	-	2
Married													
Total	10,701	262	490	2,957	3,196	1,972	904	419	181	70	36	27	187
Professional	237	7	9	91	83	29	10	3	-	-	-	-	5
Intermediate	1,012	30	72	348	295	164	53	25	8	1	-	-	16
Skilled	3,356	73	165	932	1,021	630	265	129	59	15	8	7	52
Semi-skilled	1,368	27	60	341	409	268	134	61	22	12	3	5	26
Unskilled	737	14	26	152	207	166	92	45	16	6	5	1	7
Not classified	3,991	111	158	1,093	1,181	715	350	156	76	36	20	14	81
Widowed/divorced/separated													
Total	910	36	59	219	226	179	104	41	21	8	3	3	11
Professional	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intermediate	44	2	3	13	15	5	4	1	1	-	-	-	-
Skilled	126	14	15	40	32	17	6	4	-	-	-	-	-
Semi-skilled	97	5	11	25	32	14	3	5	2	-	-	-	2
Unskilled	37	3	5	9	5	6	5	2	-	1	1	1	-
Not classified	604	14	26	131	142	137	86	29	18	8	2	2	9
Unknown													
Total	19	1	1	10	3	2	2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Professional	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Intermediate	3	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Skilled	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Semi-skilled	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unskilled	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Not classified	14	1	1	8	2	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE 12. Legally induced abortions where environmental and other conditions were stated, with proportions, distinguishing type of premises

England and Wales, 1978
Residents

Note: This table is necessarily restricted to those cases (37% of the total) where the practitioner saw fit to refer in question 11(c) of the form to environmental or other factors, or (mistakenly) to refer back to the terms of the statutory grounds, as reasons for termination. Such reasons were mostly in addition to the specific medical reasons shown in Table 19. See page viii.

Code	Description	NHS Hospitals		Approved and Other places	
		Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent
	Reference to statutory grounds	4,115	14.3	2,984	25.0
01	Statutory ground 1	58	0.2	3	0.0
02	2	2,781	9.7	2,000	16.8
03	3	360	1.2	51	0.4
04	4	34	0.1	-	-
07	2 and 4	30	0.1	1	0.0
08	3 with any other	841	3.0	927	7.8
09	Other multiple	11	0.0	2	0.0
	Concerning the mother	16,960	58.7	7,309	61.2
1V	Failed contraception in single girl	51	0.2	12	0.1
10	Unmarried (16 or over)	549	1.9	139	1.2
11	Under 16 years	270	0.9	15	0.1
12	Widowed, divorced, separated	209	0.7	22	0.2
13	Multiparity	963	3.3	112	0.9
14	Too old - high medical risk in primipara	469	1.6	31	0.3
15	Young or immature	728	2.5	52	0.4
16	Physical handicap or illness	7	0.0	1	0.0
17	Students (nurse, university student, etc.)	174	0.6	24	0.2
18	Other specified reasons pertaining to mother	1,309	4.6	1,336	11.2
19	Unspecified social reasons - 'adverse conditions'	12,231	42.4	5,565	46.6
	Concerning the husband or father	378	1.3	69	0.6
20	Not available for marriage	63	0.2	30	0.3
21	Drunkard or alcohol addict	17	0.1	-	-
22	Drug addict	3	0.0	-	-
23	Violent	26	0.1	-	-
24	Young, immature	6	0.0	3	0.0
25	Old	11	0.0	1	0.0
26	Abandoned by consort	183	0.7	25	0.2
28	Other specified reasons pertaining to father	69	0.2	10	0.1
	Concerning other children of mother	3,082	10.7	996	8.3
30	Already caring for previous illegitimate children	332	1.2	94	0.8
31	Adverse effect on existing children in family	2,719	9.5	897	7.5
32	Unspecified reasons relating to existing children	7	0.0	1	0.0
33	Reason relating to family	9	0.0	1	0.0
35	Unborn child - probable lack of care	5	0.0	1	0.0
38	Other specified reasons relating to unborn child	-	-	1	0.0
39	Unborn child will suffer	10	0.0	1	0.0
	Concerning illness in the dependants of the mother	443	1.5	27	0.2
40	Husband ill or disabled	162	0.6	8	0.1
41	Existing children - ill or disabled	236	0.8	17	0.1
42	Parents or other sick or disabled dependants	41	0.1	2	0.0
48	Other specified chronic illness in family	3	0.0	-	-
49	Unspecified illness in family	1	0.0	-	-
	Concerning the marriage	1,173	4.1	192	1.6
50	Husband away from home	42	0.1	2	0.0
51	Husband opposed to pregnancy	3	0.0	4	0.0
52	Extra marital conception	184	0.7	48	0.4
55	Failed contraception	612	2.2	87	0.8
56	Unsuccessfully sterilised husband	38	0.1	6	0.1
57	Unsuccessfully sterilised woman	52	0.2	1	0.0
58	Other specified reasons tending to break up marriage	147	0.5	28	0.2
59	Break up of marriage	95	0.3	16	0.1

TABLE 12 - *continued*

Code	Description	NHS Hospitals		Approved and Other places	
		Number	Per cent	Number	Per cent
	Concerning economic factors	2,447	8.5	343	2.9
60	Insufficient income for family - husband not able to support	14	0.0	1	0.0
61	Loss of employment for woman	104	0.4	18	0.2
63	Other specified economic reasons	6	0.0	-	-
64	Unspecified economic reasons, financial difficulties	2,323	8.1	324	2.7
	Concerning housing	201	0.7	27	0.2
65	Inadequate housing	83	0.3	7	0.1
66	Material home conditions inadequate	8	0.0	-	-
68	Other specified environmental reasons	8	0.0	1	0.0
69	Unspecified environmental reasons	102	0.4	19	0.1
	Concerning rape and violence	57	0.2	4	0.0
70	Unwanted intercourse, under 16	3	0.0	-	-
71	Unwanted intercourse, 16 or over	5	0.0	-	-
72	Rape, single girl under 16	15	0.1	1	0.0
73	Rape, single girl 16 or over	19	0.1	2	0.0
74	Rape, married woman	6	0.0	-	-
75	Incest	9	0.0	1	0.0
	All cases with question 11(c) completed	28,856	100.0	11,951	100.0
	All cases with medical reasons and question 11(c) not completed	26,034		43,075	
	All cases with question 11 (a)-(c) not completed	566		86	
	Total cases treated for abortion	55,456		55,112	

TABLE 13. Legally induced abortions by age, operation and gestation weeks

England and Wales, 1973
Residents and Non-residents

Operation	Gestation weeks*	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
Hysterotomy - abdominal											
	Total	5,086	98	399	626	987	1,142	1,050	641	60	83
	Under 9	189	1	4	16	30	57	50	25	2	4
	9-12	1,922	22	52	147	349	507	515	279	21	30
	13	663	11	36	78	137	154	150	80	7	10
	14	511	9	47	51	100	126	96	70	6	6
	15-16	714	12	89	119	162	125	106	82	8	11
	17-19	553	20	83	112	116	85	75	49	8	5
	20-23	298	14	70	69	43	45	24	25	4	4
	24 and over	40	4	5	12	13	2	-	3	1	1
	Not stated	196	5	13	22	37	41	34	28	4	12
Hysterotomy - vaginal											
	Total	133	6	13	13	32	23	32	10	2	2
	Under 9	15	2	1	3	4	-	3	2	-	-
	9-12	60	1	6	5	13	11	18	4	1	1
	13	12	-	1	-	-	4	5	2	-	-
	14	6	1	2	-	1	-	1	1	-	-
	15-16	17	-	1	2	7	2	3	1	1	-
	17-19	9	-	1	1	4	1	1	-	-	1
	20-23	5	1	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-
	24 and over	2	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	7	1	-	2	1	2	1	-	-	-
Hysterotomy with others											
	Total	70	5	11	18	14	12	5	3	-	2
	Under 9	8	-	1	4	1	2	-	-	-	-
	9-12	30	2	2	7	8	4	3	2	-	2
	13	5	-	2	1	1	1	-	-	-	-
	14	4	1	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
	15-16	4	-	2	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
	17-19	10	1	4	3	-	1	1	-	-	-
	20-23	4	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
	24 and over	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	3	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
Hysterectomy											
	Total	714	1	5	16	67	148	241	182	35	19
	Under 9	66	-	-	1	6	17	27	12	-	3
	9-12	375	1	-	5	29	82	123	105	21	9
	13	79	-	2	1	11	14	31	17	3	-
	14	57	-	-	2	5	12	19	17	2	-
	15-16	48	-	1	3	4	6	12	15	3	4
	17-19	35	-	1	1	3	7	14	6	2	1
	20-23	13	-	1	-	3	1	2	3	3	-
	24 and over	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
	Not stated	39	-	-	3	6	9	13	5	1	2
Hysterectomy with others											
	Total	38	-	-	6	9	8	9	4	1	1
	Under 9	4	-	-	-	1	2	1	-	-	-
	9-12	20	-	-	3	6	4	5	-	1	1
	13	4	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	-
	14	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	15-16	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
	17-19	4	-	-	-	1	1	2	-	-	-
	20-23	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
	24 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Vacuum aspiration											
	Total	85,536	1,946	16,799	21,942	17,015	12,698	9,431	4,035	349	1,321
	Under 9	20,504	292	2,655	4,676	4,462	3,884	2,960	1,163	88	324
	9-12	54,181	1,294	11,339	14,217	10,553	7,621	5,655	2,516	223	763
	13	4,995	141	1,434	1,436	880	526	336	156	14	72
	14	2,127	75	585	648	386	187	140	77	6	23
	15-16	1,262	60	332	375	213	150	88	32	5	27
	17-19	374	13	108	107	78	30	22	8	2	6
	20-23	127	5	22	46	24	16	9	2	-	3
	24 and over	35	-	7	12	7	2	3	3	-	1
	Not stated	1,931	66	317	425	412	302	218	78	11	102
Dilatation and evacuation											
	Total	48,533	798	8,949	13,909	9,869	6,967	5,088	2,089	184	680
	Under 9	12,060	115	1,376	3,024	2,764	2,227	1,689	661	46	158
	9-12	23,809	384	4,454	6,824	4,824	3,403	2,472	1,038	87	323
	13	3,833	69	893	1,230	724	439	307	111	9	51
	14	2,873	66	689	943	513	296	224	90	13	39
	15-16	3,508	85	928	1,144	619	346	235	92	17	42
	17-19	1,435	52	423	472	228	112	72	48	7	21
	20-23	224	1	60	75	43	22	14	4	-	5
	24 and over	34	2	5	11	7	4	1	4	-	-
	Not stated	757	24	121	186	147	118	74	41	5	41

* For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 13 - continued

Operation	Gestation weeks*	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
Paste	Total	224	21	81	40	35	28	8	8	1	2
	Under 9	3	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
	9-12	69	2	23	12	13	11	3	4	1	-
	13	57	4	22	8	10	8	3	2	-	-
	14	35	4	12	11	4	3	1	-	-	-
	15-16	36	4	14	6	4	5	1	1	-	1
	17-19	12	2	5	3	1	-	-	1	-	-
	20-23	3	2	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
	24 and over	1	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	8	3	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Laminaria tents	Total	62	4	12	23	10	4	5	3	1	-
	Under 9	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	9-12	8	2	2	1	2	-	1	-	-	-
	13	7	-	1	3	2	-	-	-	1	-
	14	8	-	2	3	1	1	-	1	-	-
	15-16	15	-	5	5	2	-	2	1	-	-
	17-19	17	1	2	7	2	3	1	1	-	-
	20-23	2	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-
	24 and over	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	3	-	-	2	-	-	1	-	-	-
Combined vaginal methods	Total	20,738	301	3,845	6,058	4,111	3,047	2,130	904	83	259
	Under 9	5,886	38	665	1,513	1,274	1,122	831	344	26	73
	9-12	11,022	170	2,180	3,281	2,204	1,549	1,013	455	45	125
	13	1,448	32	377	503	236	133	112	37	4	14
	14	910	22	252	307	134	90	56	27	3	19
	15-16	719	14	224	228	112	62	51	17	1	10
	17-19	281	10	77	97	46	27	17	6	-	1
	20-23	64	2	13	25	9	11	2	1	-	1
	24 and over	11	-	3	4	2	1	-	1	-	-
	Not stated	397	13	54	100	94	52	48	16	4	16
Intra-uterine medical inductions	Total	3,804	299	1,111	1,009	599	327	226	124	15	94
	Under 9	52	6	18	16	5	4	1	1	-	1
	9-12	455	28	109	101	74	58	47	24	3	11
	13	304	31	80	75	50	31	20	10	1	6
	14	380	26	108	92	63	36	29	15	1	10
	15-16	857	71	243	210	149	73	51	35	2	23
	17-19	970	67	331	276	138	65	45	24	3	21
	20-23	520	44	164	151	77	41	19	11	5	8
	24 and over	52	6	12	19	8	6	1	-	-	-
	Not stated	214	20	46	69	35	13	13	4	-	14
Other medical inductions	Total	1,193	102	344	279	197	112	90	47	3	19
	Under 9	34	3	6	6	7	6	6	-	-	-
	9-12	241	12	56	51	38	39	24	15	-	6
	13	139	15	40	26	21	14	9	12	-	2
	14	151	8	51	43	17	14	14	3	-	1
	15-16	250	25	82	59	37	20	12	7	3	5
	17-19	229	20	70	62	46	11	11	6	-	3
	20-23	83	12	28	17	14	6	5	2	-	1
	24 and over	9	-	-	2	5	-	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	57	7	13	13	12	-	9	2	-	1
Medical inductions with vaginal methods	Total	405	42	106	97	62	44	37	11	1	5
	Under 9	10	1	1	4	1	-	2	1	-	-
	9-12	99	17	17	20	12	16	12	3	1	1
	13	55	2	13	14	9	10	4	2	-	1
	14	62	5	16	17	9	7	5	3	-	-
	15-16	91	9	34	17	13	8	8	-	-	2
	17-19	56	5	15	16	13	1	4	2	-	-
	20-23	13	1	4	4	2	1	1	-	-	-
	24 and over	3	-	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	16	2	5	5	1	1	1	-	-	1
Multiple methods, including Not stated	Total	613	37	163	173	114	63	30	18	1	14
	Under 9	48	1	10	9	10	5	5	6	-	-
	9-12	133	3	29	26	30	27	10	4	-	4
	13	28	4	8	6	6	2	1	1	-	-
	14	44	3	12	8	13	4	3	1	-	-
	15-16	82	12	16	31	13	5	1	2	-	2
	17-19	152	9	45	54	22	10	8	2	-	2
	20-23	87	1	30	29	11	8	1	2	1	4
	24 and over	9	3	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	Not stated	32	1	8	9	9	2	1	-	-	2

* For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 14. Legally induced abortions by month of operation, age and marital status

England and Wales, 1973

Residents

Age and marital status	Total	Month of operation											
		Jan.	Feb.	March	April	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
All ages													
Total	110,568	9,806	9,260	9,398	8,443	9,890	9,385	9,628	8,785	8,835	9,500	9,237	8,401
Single	52,899	4,595	4,487	4,490	4,042	4,672	4,356	4,589	4,184	4,401	4,646	4,518	3,919
Married	46,766	4,313	3,877	3,953	3,569	4,287	4,068	4,076	3,702	3,558	3,907	3,793	3,663
Widowed	713	68	61	53	54	53	65	82	55	51	59	63	49
Divorced/separated	10,047	821	821	890	762	868	887	867	831	813	878	851	758
Unknown	143	9	14	12	16	10	9	14	13	12	10	12	12
10-15													
Total	3,090	269	223	288	224	249	264	267	238	236	296	294	242
Single	3,090	269	223	288	224	249	264	267	238	236	296	294	242
Married	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Widowed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Divorced/separated	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-19													
Total	23,480	2,018	2,059	1,946	1,762	2,068	1,930	1,984	1,859	1,997	2,062	2,068	1,727
Single	22,344	1,908	1,951	1,846	1,675	1,949	1,819	1,891	1,777	1,921	1,966	1,989	1,652
Married	843	78	77	75	69	87	88	70	62	52	70	64	51
Widowed	10	1	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	2	1	-	2
Divorced/separated	268	29	27	23	16	30	23	22	17	19	25	15	22
Unknown	15	2	3	1	2	1	-	1	2	3	-	-	-
20-24													
Total	26,728	2,365	2,211	2,322	2,043	2,424	2,311	2,380	2,073	2,106	2,298	2,206	1,989
Single	18,072	1,606	1,507	1,566	1,438	1,639	1,521	1,627	1,373	1,450	1,553	1,482	1,310
Married	6,305	576	537	553	463	582	548	545	495	475	526	523	482
Widowed	48	2	6	3	2	1	6	7	7	2	2	6	4
Divorced/separated	2,276	179	159	197	138	201	232	200	195	178	215	193	189
Unknown	27	2	2	3	2	1	4	1	3	1	2	2	4
25-29													
Total	21,365	1,882	1,835	1,794	1,629	1,958	1,821	1,860	1,770	1,742	1,749	1,702	1,623
Single	6,087	533	538	525	443	533	501	507	537	519	516	477	458
Married	11,880	1,080	997	974	891	1,141	1,042	1,058	961	934	957	949	896
Widowed	161	16	12	13	10	14	14	19	12	14	16	13	12
Divorced/separated	3,208	251	286	278	281	270	263	273	258	274	259	260	255
Unknown	29	2	2	4	4	1	3	2	1	1	1	3	2
30-34													
Total	15,981	1,424	1,330	1,439	1,287	1,378	1,380	1,411	1,255	1,159	1,316	1,353	1,249
Single	1,669	136	153	138	142	142	126	146	117	139	153	143	134
Married	11,942	1,089	1,007	1,076	962	1,046	1,028	1,043	943	846	973	978	951
Widowed	153	18	9	12	13	15	17	18	9	8	10	15	9
Divorced/separated	2,190	179	161	212	164	174	207	202	184	162	179	214	152
Unknown	27	2	-	1	6	1	2	2	4	1	3	3	3
35-39													
Total	12,161	1,146	970	1,004	909	1,098	1,022	1,039	961	972	1,084	987	969
Single	680	60	41	51	52	70	53	57	51	56	71	64	54
Married	9,779	936	775	805	722	872	841	865	758	765	853	794	793
Widowed	202	15	25	15	21	16	18	16	17	14	12	20	13
Divorced/separated	1,481	134	125	131	113	139	109	98	132	136	148	109	107
Unknown	19	1	4	2	1	1	1	3	3	1	-	-	2
40-44													
Total	5,445	500	453	424	413	507	466	470	427	443	476	442	424
Single	165	17	12	13	14	17	8	13	14	21	16	10	10
Married	4,724	436	387	365	355	446	412	386	378	383	410	384	382
Widowed	117	15	7	9	8	7	8	18	7	8	16	8	6
Divorced/separated	435	32	47	37	35	37	37	52	28	31	33	40	26
Unknown	4	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-
45 and over													
Total	525	44	41	38	45	48	44	44	52	43	43	44	39
Single	16	1	-	2	-	2	1	1	1	1	3	3	1
Married	466	42	37	35	42	45	38	39	44	38	34	37	35
Widowed	12	-	1	-	-	1	1	2	2	1	2	1	1
Divorced/separated	30	1	3	1	3	-	4	2	4	3	4	3	2
Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Not stated													
Total	1,793	158	138	143	131	160	147	173	150	137	176	141	139
Single	776	65	62	61	54	71	63	80	76	58	72	56	58
Married	827	76	60	70	65	68	71	70	61	65	84	64	73
Widowed	10	1	-	-	-	2	1	2	-	2	-	-	2
Divorced/separated	159	16	13	11	12	17	12	18	13	10	15	17	5
Unknown	21	-	3	1	-	2	-	3	-	2	5	4	1

TABLE 15. Legally induced abortions by age of woman and:-
 (i) country of usual residence
 (ii) marital status
 (iii) gestation weeks

England and Wales, 1973

Non-residents

	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
(i) Country										
British Isles										
Scotland	1,068	6	281	383	204	89	67	23	-	15
N.Ireland	1,007	10	191	345	183	121	89	46	5	17
Irish Republic	1,193	6	171	514	277	114	65	29	3	14
Channel Islands and Isle of Man	306	2	63	105	63	29	25	12	3	4
Other European										
Belgium and Luxembourg	1,462	9	229	388	313	229	177	90	9	18
Denmark	27	-	1	7	11	7	1	-	-	-
France	35,293	263	4,941	11,549	7,507	4,998	3,801	1,679	138	417
German Federal Republic	11,326	208	1,822	2,555	1,990	2,358	1,599	610	43	143
Italy	1,171	29	194	303	273	201	107	41	3	20
Netherlands	101	3	19	33	30	7	5	2	-	2
Austria	291	8	48	72	55	62	25	18	1	2
Norway and Sweden	78	1	18	23	24	6	5	-	-	1
Portugal	27	-	2	6	6	5	6	2	-	-
Spain	1,763	9	148	675	488	231	143	38	3	30
Switzerland	719	2	106	256	172	97	57	22	2	5
Others	155	3	32	50	32	15	11	5	-	7
America										
Canada	34	1	4	17	8	2	1	-	-	1
U.S.A.	104	1	24	44	16	6	6	1	1	5
Others	27	-	1	12	6	6	2	-	-	-
Rest of World	429	9	63	148	98	59	29	16	-	7
(ii) Marital status										
Total	56,581	570	8,358	17,481	11,756	8,642	6,221	2,634	211	708
Single	29,127	568	7,908	13,193	4,694	1,573	638	206	11	336
Married	24,660	2	413	3,845	6,221	6,335	5,095	2,228	189	332
Widowed	392	-	3	27	85	108	103	57	3	6
Divorced/separated	2,347	-	32	399	747	613	377	138	8	33
Unknown	55	-	2	17	9	13	8	5	-	1
(iii) Gestation weeks *										
Total	56,581	570	8,358	17,481	11,756	8,642	6,221	2,634	211	708
Under 9	14,825	74	1,335	3,862	3,269	2,914	2,217	906	65	183
9-12	28,253	255	4,161	8,983	5,969	4,217	2,964	1,274	94	336
13	4,298	51	856	1,529	822	484	355	144	12	45
14	2,831	49	571	1,013	517	302	236	95	13	35
15-16	3,145	59	714	1,054	598	349	224	94	11	42
17-19	1,754	50	457	589	305	150	111	62	8	22
20-23	611	17	142	227	94	70	29	20	3	9
24 and over	59	4	15	18	12	4	1	5	-	-
Not stated	805	11	107	206	170	152	84	34	5	36

* For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 16A. Legally induced abortions by hospital region of residence, age and marital status

England and Wales, hospital regions 1973

Residents

Hospital region	Marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
ENGLAND AND WALES	Total	110,568	3,090	23,480	26,728	21,365	15,981	12,161	5,445	525	1,793
	Single	52,899	3,090	22,344	18,072	6,087	1,669	680	165	16	776
	Married	48,766	-	843	6,305	11,880	11,942	9,779	4,724	466	827
	Widowed/divorced/separated	10,760	-	278	2,324	3,369	2,343	1,683	552	42	169
	Unknown	143	-	15	27	29	27	19	4	1	21
Newcastle	Total	5,399	169	1,219	1,144	937	804	715	313	36	62
	Single	2,245	169	1,145	685	149	42	23	2	-	30
	Married	2,548	-	56	305	611	646	597	274	34	25
	Widowed/divorced/separated	599	-	17	153	174	115	95	37	2	6
	Unknown	7	-	1	1	5	1	-	-	-	1
Leeds	Total	5,709	185	1,257	1,236	1,051	812	740	327	31	70
	Single	2,510	185	1,201	792	209	56	30	7	-	30
	Married	2,561	-	38	314	646	623	598	277	30	35
	Widowed/divorced/separated	634	-	18	130	194	133	110	43	1	5
	Unknown	4	-	-	-	2	-	2	-	-	-
Sheffield	Total	8,246	286	2,005	1,616	1,464	1,243	1,025	459	38	110
	Single	3,606	286	1,901	971	275	73	33	12	1	54
	Married	3,849	-	76	462	966	1,002	850	414	31	48
	Widowed/divorced/separated	786	-	27	182	223	166	142	32	6	8
	Unknown	5	-	1	1	-	2	-	1	-	-
East Anglian	Total	3,146	122	663	625	591	460	413	196	19	57
	Single	1,341	122	635	387	120	33	16	6	-	22
	Married	1,502	-	26	176	374	366	336	181	17	26
	Widowed/divorced/separated	300	-	2	61	97	60	61	9	2	8
	Unknown	3	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
North West Metropolitan	Total	16,041	282	2,610	4,721	3,647	2,284	1,488	578	51	380
	Single	8,805	282	2,487	3,568	1,622	464	167	56	1	178
	Married	5,878	-	93	893	1,590	1,511	1,109	477	46	159
	Widowed/divorced/separated	1,325	-	28	251	433	302	209	65	4	33
	Unknown	33	-	2	9	2	7	3	-	-	10
North East Metropolitan	Total	8,492	171	1,766	2,020	1,713	1,261	937	379	36	209
	Single	3,768	171	1,657	1,260	421	115	53	7	1	83
	Married	3,951	-	87	600	1,049	959	763	341	32	110
	Widowed/divorced/separated	763	-	22	157	241	176	120	30	3	14
	Unknown	10	-	-	3	2	1	1	1	-	2
South East Metropolitan	Total	8,484	233	1,847	2,055	1,654	1,235	879	407	44	130
	Single	4,018	233	1,762	1,381	415	108	50	18	3	48
	Married	3,578	-	66	495	929	949	709	328	35	69
	Widowed/divorced/separated	875	-	19	178	304	177	119	61	6	11
	Unknown	13	-	-	3	6	1	1	-	-	2
South West Metropolitan	Total	11,495	232	2,016	3,462	2,525	1,570	1,033	425	47	185
	Single	6,493	232	1,924	2,643	1,189	326	91	17	1	90
	Married	3,976	-	71	614	1,044	981	787	353	42	84
	Widowed/divorced/separated	997	-	18	199	305	257	152	54	4	8
	Unknown	29	-	5	6	7	6	3	1	-	3
Wessex	Total	3,475	148	797	739	660	499	371	172	25	64
	Single	1,606	148	764	476	142	25	19	5	1	26
	Married	1,494	-	24	201	381	377	304	155	24	28
	Widowed/divorced/separated	369	-	9	61	135	97	45	12	-	10
	Unknown	6	-	-	1	2	-	3	-	-	-
Oxford	Total	4,391	172	989	904	782	680	546	237	17	64
	Single	1,948	172	934	583	160	43	23	5	-	28
	Married	2,040	-	39	228	518	540	463	208	15	31
	Widowed/divorced/separated	397	-	12	93	106	95	60	24	2	5
	Unknown	6	-	4	-	-	2	-	-	-	-
South Western	Total	6,170	212	1,475	1,352	1,085	895	661	344	31	115
	Single	2,863	212	1,414	879	218	63	26	4	1	46
	Married	2,725	-	49	337	691	721	555	302	26	44
	Widowed/divorced/separated	578	-	12	135	175	110	80	37	4	25
	Unknown	4	-	-	1	1	1	-	1	-	-
Welsh	Total	5,116	134	1,132	1,126	917	772	633	345	28	29
	Single	2,173	134	1,072	701	184	50	26	10	1	15
	Married	2,420	-	42	312	591	608	526	303	27	11
	Widowed/divorced/separated	522	-	18	113	162	114	80	32	-	3
	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Birmingham	Total	11,722	381	2,841	2,644	2,066	1,674	1,295	598	65	158
	Single	5,520	381	2,701	1,690	477	127	59	20	3	62
	Married	5,108	-	107	705	1,233	1,313	1,076	532	59	83
	Widowed/divorced/separated	1,085	-	31	248	354	232	158	46	3	13
	Unknown	9	-	2	1	2	2	2	-	-	-
Manchester	Total	8,316	277	1,844	1,958	1,518	1,189	937	449	36	108
	Single	3,881	277	1,770	1,277	347	96	40	13	2	39
	Married	3,429	-	43	441	855	904	719	387	28	54
	Widowed/divorced/separated	1,017	-	29	240	518	187	176	49	5	13
	Unknown	9	-	2	-	2	2	2	-	1	2
Liverpool	Total	4,366	86	1,019	1,126	755	603	488	216	21	52
	Single	2,142	86	977	779	199	48	24	3	1	25
	Married	1,707	-	26	224	406	432	387	192	20	20
	Widowed/divorced/separated	513	-	16	123	148	122	76	21	-	7
	Unknown	4	-	-	-	2	1	1	-	-	-

TABLE 16B, Legally induced abortions with sterilisation, by hospital region of residence, age and marital status

England and Wales, hospital regions 1973

Residents

Hospital region	Marital status	All ages	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over	Not stated
ENGLAND AND WALES	Total	11,918	3	42	661	2,393	3,289	3,336	1,827	168	199
	Single	288	3	23	42	77	71	47	15	1	9
	Married	10,701	-	17	559	2,089	2,982	3,030	1,692	158	174
	Widowed/divorced/separated	910	-	2	59	223	232	252	119	9	14
	Unknown	19	-	-	1	4	4	7	1	-	2
Newcastle	Total	994	1	6	59	221	283	281	118	17	8
	Single	19	1	5	3	5	3	1	-	-	1
	Married	916	-	1	56	197	264	268	109	16	5
	Widowed/divorced/separated	57	-	-	-	18	16	12	9	1	1
	Unknown	2	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	1
Leeds	Total	647	-	4	38	140	153	193	99	8	12
	Single	18	-	1	3	7	2	5	-	-	-
	Married	566	-	3	30	116	141	169	88	8	11
	Widowed/divorced/separated	63	-	-	5	17	10	19	11	-	1
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Sheffield	Total	1,049	-	3	64	213	303	281	168	9	8
	Single	23	-	2	1	6	6	5	3	-	-
	Married	961	-	1	55	194	280	257	160	7	7
	Widowed/divorced/separated	65	-	-	8	13	17	19	5	2	1
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
East Anglian	Total	532	-	2	29	95	115	175	100	6	10
	Single	12	-	1	3	4	2	1	1	-	-
	Married	487	-	1	24	84	106	162	95	5	10
	Widowed/divorced/separated	32	-	-	1	7	7	12	4	1	-
	Unknown	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
North West Metropolitan	Total	981	-	3	37	175	257	314	147	13	35
	Single	34	-	2	2	6	12	7	2	-	3
	Married	884	-	1	35	160	229	281	136	12	30
	Widowed/divorced/separated	61	-	-	-	9	16	25	9	1	1
	Unknown	2	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
North East Metropolitan	Total	633	-	4	20	121	189	183	90	10	16
	Single	21	-	2	3	8	4	3	1	-	-
	Married	574	-	2	16	105	175	169	83	9	15
	Widowed/divorced/separated	38	-	-	1	8	10	11	6	1	1
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
South East Metropolitan	Total	941	-	4	36	197	275	258	143	14	14
	Single	19	-	3	2	5	3	3	2	-	1
	Married	847	-	1	30	169	255	237	129	14	12
	Widowed/divorced/separated	73	-	-	4	22	16	18	12	-	1
	Unknown	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
South West Metropolitan	Total	757	-	1	33	126	215	225	126	14	17
	Single	26	-	1	3	3	12	4	2	-	1
	Married	675	-	-	29	113	183	206	114	14	16
	Widowed/divorced/separated	54	-	-	1	9	19	15	10	-	-
	Unknown	2	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
Wessex	Total	536	-	-	28	121	142	143	82	14	6
	Single	6	-	-	-	2	1	3	-	-	-
	Married	482	-	-	26	106	123	129	78	14	6
	Widowed/divorced/separated	45	-	-	2	12	18	9	4	-	-
	Unknown	3	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
Oxford	Total	443	-	-	23	77	135	127	70	4	7
	Single	5	-	-	2	-	2	1	-	-	-
	Married	402	-	-	21	69	125	115	62	4	6
	Widowed/divorced/separated	35	-	-	-	8	7	11	8	-	1
	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
South Western	Total	907	-	3	60	198	239	230	150	11	16
	Single	13	-	1	3	4	2	1	-	2	2
	Married	827	-	2	54	175	222	213	137	11	13
	Widowed/divorced/separated	66	-	-	3	19	15	16	12	-	1
	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-
Welsh	Total	700	-	1	47	139	190	193	117	11	2
	Single	6	-	-	1	3	1	1	-	-	-
	Married	649	-	1	42	122	176	185	112	11	2
	Widowed/divorced/separated	44	-	-	4	14	13	8	5	-	-
	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Birmingham	Total	919	2	1	50	166	267	241	156	13	23
	Single	27	2	1	5	4	5	6	3	-	1
	Married	823	-	-	40	143	250	213	145	12	20
	Widowed/divorced/separated	66	-	-	5	19	11	20	8	1	2
	Unknown	3	-	-	-	-	1	2	-	-	-
Manchester	Total	1,331	-	9	97	292	376	349	179	13	16
	Single	39	-	4	8	12	10	3	1	-	-
	Married	1,146	-	4	71	248	331	302	166	10	14
	Widowed/divorced/separated	145	-	1	18	32	35	43	12	2	2
	Unknown	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Liverpool	Total	548	-	1	40	112	150	143	82	11	9
	Single	20	-	-	3	8	6	3	-	-	-
	Married	462	-	-	30	88	122	126	78	11	7
	Widowed/divorced/separated	66	-	1	7	16	22	14	4	-	2
	Unknown	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

TABLE 16C. Legally induced abortions by hospital region of residence and

- (i) number of previous live and still born children
 (ii) statutory grounds
 (iii) age for cases of previous abortion under the Act
 (iv) operation
 (v) category of premises and duration of stay
 (vi) category of premises, gestation weeks and sterilisation

England and Wales, hospital regions 1973

Residents

	England and Wales	Newcastle	Leeds	Sheffield	East Anglian	North West Metropolitan	North East Metropolitan	South East Metropolitan	South West Metropolitan	Wessex	Oxford	South Western	Welsh	Birmingham	Manchester	Liverpool
Total	110,568	5,399	5,709	8,246	3,146	16,041	8,492	8,484	11,495	3,475	4,391	6,170	5,116	11,722	8,316	4,366
(i) Number of previous live and still born children																
0	52,691	2,186	2,484	3,596	1,376	8,869	3,803	4,004	6,424	1,641	1,982	2,947	2,161	5,496	3,707	2,013
1	12,843	608	621	871	332	1,983	1,038	1,031	1,405	373	463	652	581	1,320	1,016	549
2	20,003	1,080	1,122	1,572	629	2,450	1,662	1,634	1,727	651	853	1,199	989	2,155	1,512	768
3	13,474	816	771	1,147	432	1,509	1,104	1,005	1,068	456	582	803	769	1,401	1,091	520
4	6,638	398	405	564	226	701	516	481	490	241	300	364	383	742	549	278
5	2,707	180	165	270	79	301	198	195	222	62	116	132	130	295	238	124
6	1,204	81	78	117	40	134	76	74	84	24	60	43	58	158	114	63
7	465	29	34	46	10	41	37	29	41	12	13	11	22	70	41	29
8	204	4	14	16	9	19	21	21	15	3	6	6	11	35	21	11
9 and over	178	10	11	21	5	11	11	7	9	5	11	5	5	39	20	8
Not stated	161	7	4	26	8	23	26	9	12	7	5	8	7	9	7	3
(ii) Statutory grounds*																
1	1,228	51	70	156	37	179	79	74	120	48	41	70	46	117	104	36
2	84,890	3,980	4,150	6,049	2,258	12,958	6,406	7,055	9,592	2,561	3,139	5,032	4,046	8,346	6,168	3,170
3	3,520	318	183	418	116	409	159	170	271	142	252	184	144	250	324	180
4	1,115	55	43	91	83	154	78	68	68	46	48	77	78	79	99	48
5	7	-	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	1	-
6	10	-	-	4	-	1	1	-	1	-	-	1	1	-	-	1
2 with 4	904	45	37	94	37	112	60	80	53	19	41	65	63	68	78	52
3 with others	18,894	950	1,226	1,434	615	2,226	1,707	1,057	1,390	659	870	740	738	2,861	1,542	879
(iii) Previous abortion cases by age																
All ages	5,303	190	205	285	144	1,032	412	468	730	140	202	249	145	635	302	164
Under 16	48	4	3	5	-	8	1	5	1	4	1	5	2	7	2	-
16-19	727	31	30	42	20	84	60	75	80	23	38	38	24	108	47	27
20-24	1,593	39	57	73	43	329	117	139	235	39	58	84	44	174	100	62
25-29	1,314	49	56	67	33	293	94	119	210	30	36	44	34	146	72	31
30-39	1,353	56	53	82	40	264	123	101	171	41	58	61	34	161	69	39
40 and over	184	10	3	12	5	30	8	20	19	1	9	15	6	31	10	5
Not stated	84	1	3	4	3	24	9	9	14	2	2	2	1	8	2	-
(iv) Operation																
Hysterotomy-abdominal	4,683	414	226	465	286	252	192	303	285	100	48	373	467	338	717	217
Hysterotomy-vaginal	129	14	7	9	6	14	7	10	10	2	7	7	16	5	5	10
Hysterectomy	734	53	38	54	29	55	40	44	51	25	57	106	49	50	50	33
Vacuum aspiration	67,684	3,727	4,222	4,397	1,509	10,641	4,988	6,154	7,697	2,480	3,101	4,431	3,085	4,758	3,933	2,561
Dilatation	22,218	592	749	1,444	615	3,099	2,055	1,097	2,087	559	439	570	711	4,582	2,561	1,058
Other types of termination	4,428	434	109	428	77	456	144	259	356	126	340	376	365	277	518	163
Multiple methods, including																
Not stated	10,692	165	358	1,449	624	1,524	1,066	617	1,009	183	399	307	423	1,712	532	324

* For statutory grounds see page v.

TABLE 16C - continued

	England and Wales	Newcastle	Leeds	Sheffield	East Anglian	North West Metropolitan	North East Metropolitan	South East Metropolitan	South West Metropolitan	Wessex	Oxford	South Western	Welsh	Birmingham	Manchester	Liverpool
(v) Category of premises and duration of stay																
All premises																
Total	110,568	5,399	5,709	8,246	3,146	16,041	8,492	8,484	11,495	3,475	4,391	6,170	5,116	11,722	8,316	4,366
0 days	4,934	363	158	130	23	574	562	859	331	154	164	335	179	580	344	178
1 day	56,397	772	3,230	4,373	1,043	8,818	4,574	3,765	6,531	1,745	2,385	2,349	1,495	8,787	3,816	2,714
2 days	20,304	1,672	781	1,271	1,052	2,838	1,409	1,786	2,181	872	968	1,831	1,554	793	957	341
3 days	8,934	882	575	876	213	1,300	619	601	975	194	200	515	475	313	913	285
4 days	3,609	247	146	332	103	495	263	240	280	65	88	220	305	124	512	189
5 days	1,940	142	109	168	53	245	124	133	148	60	104	148	135	53	208	92
6 days	1,419	165	88	126	41	121	79	137	90	70	55	100	102	46	151	48
7 days and over	6,811	533	417	748	256	638	420	621	553	182	203	373	542	292	739	294
Not stated	6,220	623	207	202	362	1,012	442	342	406	133	226	301	329	734	676	225
NHS hospitals																
Total	55,456	4,739	2,402	3,705	2,305	7,616	4,043	5,051	4,555	1,793	2,604	4,292	3,554	2,402	4,798	1,597
0 days	3,476	349	86	28	10	472	528	810	231	145	146	312	113	10	196	40
1 day	6,618	238	175	279	346	1,193	462	588	250	222	883	660	128	492	558	164
2 days	17,458	1,630	663	1,049	951	2,268	1,171	1,644	1,770	777	750	1,712	1,442	453	878	300
3 days	8,604	882	554	831	207	1,268	598	594	909	176	185	503	471	272	901	273
4 days	3,487	234	135	317	95	487	257	236	268	55	82	213	305	112	508	183
5 days	1,860	136	104	173	48	229	121	129	143	53	102	145	134	47	206	90
6 days	1,341	153	80	119	39	110	72	137	80	67	53	94	102	40	148	47
7 days and over	6,568	515	407	729	251	591	397	600	512	174	190	359	537	279	736	291
Not stated	6,044	622	198	180	358	998	437	333	392	124	213	294	322	697	667	209
Approved places																
Total	54,710	576	3,282	4,512	825	8,415	4,411	3,421	6,878	1,618	1,750	1,862	1,559	9,316	3,517	2,768
0 days	1,458	14	72	102	13	102	34	49	100	9	18	23	66	570	148	138
1 day	49,776	533	3,055	4,094	696	7,625	4,112	3,197	6,281	1,523	1,501	1,689	1,367	8,295	3,258	2,550
2 days	2,745	26	111	213	68	569	228	140	406	77	205	112	111	339	79	41
3 days	225	1	16	38	6	27	10	4	34	4	10	9	4	39	11	12
4 days	78	1	6	12	7	8	4	4	7	1	2	5	-	12	4	5
5 days	58	-	4	13	5	16	3	3	1	1	1	1	-	6	2	1
6 days	50	-	3	6	2	11	5	-	6	2	-	5	-	6	3	1
7 days and over	171	-	7	16	4	44	11	16	30	1	8	11	4	13	3	3
Not stated	149	1	8	18	4	13	4	8	13	-	5	7	7	36	9	16
(vi) Category of premises gestation weeks* and sterilisation																
NHS hospitals																
Under 9 weeks																
All cases	8,931	976	361	555	379	1,403	596	979	809	224	338	617	476	373	613	232
Sterilisation cases	1,520	182	80	141	80	150	78	145	79	41	50	.116	81	98	132	67
9-12 weeks																
All cases	33,374	2,825	1,521	2,167	1,426	4,561	2,519	3,086	2,750	1,165	1,617	2,616	2,145	1,333	2,661	982
Sterilisation cases	6,720	529	375	560	312	600	377	545	406	343	278	523	360	467	710	335
13 weeks and over																
All cases	11,215	833	446	836	413	1,296	735	825	855	321	542	930	901	584	1,364	334
Sterilisation cases	2,773	228	148	220	111	153	125	174	189	93	74	211	248	239	441	119
Gestation not stated																
All cases	1,936	105	74	147	87	356	193	161	141	83	107	129	32	112	160	49
Sterilisation cases	421	25	11	51	23	48	27	27	21	29	13	29	6	51	40	20
Approved places																
Other hospitals																
Under 9 weeks																
All cases	15,122	155	937	1,285	243	2,653	1,199	855	2,004	363	405	428	310	2,620	933	732
Sterilisation cases	131	5	8	26	4	14	7	10	17	7	7	7	1	14	2	2
9-12 weeks																
All cases	30,797	364	1,866	2,508	456	4,549	2,583	1,979	3,828	991	1,074	1,134	863	5,058	1,991	1,553
Sterilisation cases	256	14	20	40	2	11	15	31	34	15	17	13	2	35	4	3
13 weeks and over																
All cases	8,273	131	470	675	123	1,067	581	540	966	302	264	273	354	1,531	558	438
Sterilisation cases	86	9	5	8	-	5	3	9	10	6	4	6	2	15	2	-
Gestation not stated																
All cases	920	10	34	73	19	156	86	59	142	26	44	43	35	111	36	46
Sterilisation cases	11	2	-	3	-	-	1	-	1	2	-	2	-	-	-	-

* For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 16D. Legally induced abortions by hospital region of operation,
category of premises and hospital region of residence

England and Wales, hospital regions 1973
Residents

Hospital region of operation	England and Wales	Hospital region of residence																
		England and Wales	Newcastle	Leeds	Sheffield	East Anglian	North West Metropolitan	North East Metropolitan	South East Metropolitan	South West Metropolitan	Wessex	Oxford	South Western	Welsh	Birmingham	Manchester	Liverpool	
ENGLAND AND WALES																		
NHS	55,456	4,739	2,402	3,705	2,305	7,616	4,043	5,051	4,555	1,793	2,604	4,292	3,554	2,402	4,798	1,597		
Non NHS	55,112	660	3,307	4,541	841	8,425	4,449	3,433	6,940	1,682	1,787	1,878	1,562	9,320	3,518	2,769		
Newcastle	NHS	4,796	4,717	60	2	-	1	-	1	2	2	-	-	1	4	2	2	
	Non NHS	105	84	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	
Leeds	NHS	2,209	5	2,162	30	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	5	2	
	Non NHS	76	-	76	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Sheffield	NHS	3,619	3	52	3,533	2	-	7	2	3	2	3	1	17	4	25	25	
	Non NHS	5,497	149	1,760	2,453	13	-	7	3	1	1	20	19	948	70	-	-	
East Anglian	NHS	2,349	2	2	91	2,204	12	16	3	3	-	14	-	-	-	2	-	
	Non NHS	250	-	3	29	168	5	41	5	1	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	
North West Metropolitan	NHS	5,362	1	-	1	39	4,950	1,37	29	153	8	38	2	2	2	-	-	
	Non NHS	11,564	82	117	340	225	4,137	1,341	619	2,641	274	448	253	267	619	169	32	
North East Metropolitan	NHS	3,915	-	4	1	36	359	3,451	22	20	2	4	1	7	7	7	7	
	Non NHS	10,776	34	13	62	272	3,230	2,666	809	2,372	510	496	144	120	19	22	7	
South East Metropolitan	NHS	4,082	-	1	1	2	30	10	3,960	62	2	1	11	1	1	-	-	
	Non NHS	8,488	55	155	308	92	702	291	1,919	1,553	726	290	227	205	1,714	125	126	
South West Metropolitan	NHS	2,383	-	1	1	1	177	14	2,125	29	2	2	2	2	1	1	-	
	Non NHS	2,035	16	124	172	28	263	81	59	261	62	111	47	81	673	32	25	
Wessex	NHS	1,721	-	-	2	1	-	6	1	3	8	1,695	9	4	-	-	-	
	Non NHS	169	2	2	2	-	-	1	1	4	62	63	11	9	2	1	1	
Oxford	NHS	2,597	--	-	5	-	92	2	3	12	18	2,444	8	1	11	1	-	
	Non NHS	447	-	-	22	3	15	5	4	2	2	221	14	14	141	4	-	
South Western	NHS	4,360	-	-	2	3	1	1	1	1	18	47	4,242	16	26	2	-	
	Non NHS	1,088	-	1	-	2	-	1	2	-	3	26	974	74	2	1	2	
Welsh	NHS	3,485	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	3,458	9	-	4	
	Non NHS	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Birmingham	NHS	2,481	3	2	32	1	-	51	16	11	46	39	6	6	28	2,307	1	
	Non NHS	10,617	159	733	1,031	36	-	51	16	11	46	151	179	496	4,870	2,031	768	
Manchester	NHS	4,759	5	111	2	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	1	4	8	45	
	Non NHS	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	
Liverpool	NHS	1,685	-	4	1	-	-	9	-	1	-	1	1	39	1	98	1,540	
	Non NHS	3,999	79	303	122	2	-	3	-	1	2	11	11	278	330	1,062	1,783	
London Teaching Hospitals	NHS	5,653	3	3	3	10	1,994	409	1,002	2,168	17	27	8	1	5	1	2	

TABLE 17. Legally induced abortions by marital status, age and hospital region of operation, by area of usual residence

England and Wales, standard regions, Wales, conurbations,
 Urban and rural aggregates, hospital regions,
 Selected administrative areas, 1973
 Residents

Area of usual residence	Total	Marital status			Age						Hospital region of operation			
											Home region		Other region	
		Single	Married	Others	Under 16	16-19	20-34	35-44	45 and over	Not stated	NHS Hospital	Non NHS	NHS Hospital	Non NHS
ENGLAND AND WALES	110,568	52,899	46,766	10,903	3,090	23,480	64,074	17,606	525	1,793	51,232	19,676	4,224	35,436
Standard regions:														
North	5,835	2,447	2,747	641	182	1,323	3,103	1,112	38	77	4,976	100	75	684
Yorkshire and Humberside	8,428	3,657	3,860	911	282	1,925	4,503	1,572	49	97	3,835	930	228	3,435
North West	12,604	5,961	5,108	1,555	362	2,846	7,100	2,081	57	158	6,062	1,784	277	4,481
East Midlands	6,131	2,706	2,832	593	220	1,471	3,260	1,072	19	89	2,157	1,617	163	2,194
West Midlands	11,722	5,520	5,108	1,094	381	2,841	6,384	1,893	65	158	2,307	4,870	95	4,450
East Anglia	2,994	1,287	1,414	293	119	630	1,598	576	18	53	2,101	160	81	652
South East	50,625	25,858	20,128	4,639	1,158	9,606	31,509	7,148	210	994	21,624	9,198	3,083	16,720
South West	7,113	3,290	3,149	674	252	1,706	3,802	1,174	41	138	4,712	1,017	126	1,258
Wales	5,116	2,173	2,420	523	134	1,132	2,815	978	28	29	3,458	-	96	1,562
Conurbations:														
Tyneside	1,728	809	686	233	54	404	941	297	12	20	1,603	-	2	123
West Yorkshire	3,380	1,486	1,488	406	109	737	1,877	605	16	36	936	-	48	2,396
South East Lancashire	4,624	2,227	1,815	582	150	1,000	2,654	742	19	59	2,697	1	40	1,886
Merseyside	2,669	1,400	939	350	49	658	1,520	404	8	30	914	1,202	10	543
West Midlands	6,107	3,058	2,530	539	213	1,512	3,326	944	35	77	728	2,935	6	2,438
Greater London	29,908	16,476	10,796	2,636	509	4,978	20,048	3,651	89	633	11,455	5,975	2,488	9,990
Urban and rural aggregates:														
Conurbations	48,416	25,436	18,254	4,726	1,084	9,289	30,366	6,643	179	855	18,333	10,113	2,594	17,376
Areas outside conurbations:														
Urban areas with populations of 100,000 and over	13,981	6,806	5,618	1,557	449	3,316	7,809	2,159	51	197	7,375	2,554	102	3,950
Urban areas with populations of 50,000 and under 100,000	10,643	4,962	4,534	1,147	331	2,524	5,800	1,755	65	168	5,624	1,778	186	3,055
Urban areas with populations under 50,000	21,037	9,099	9,840	2,098	755	4,789	11,286	3,764	127	316	11,454	2,575	671	6,337
Rural districts	16,491	6,596	8,520	1,375	471	3,562	8,813	3,285	103	257	8,446	2,656	671	4,718
Hospital regions:														
Newcastle	5,399	2,245	2,548	606	169	1,219	2,885	1,028	36	62	4,717	84	22	576
Leeds	5,709	2,510	2,561	638	185	1,257	3,099	1,067	31	70	2,162	76	240	3,231
Sheffield	8,246	3,606	3,849	791	286	2,005	4,323	1,484	38	110	3,533	2,453	172	2,088
East Anglian	3,146	1,341	1,502	303	122	663	1,676	609	19	57	2,204	168	101	673
North West Metropolitan	16,041	8,805	5,878	1,358	282	2,610	10,652	2,086	51	380	6,541	4,137	1,075	4,288
North East Metropolitan	8,492	3,768	3,951	773	171	1,786	4,994	1,318	36	209	3,701	2,666	342	1,783
South East Metropolitan	8,484	4,018	3,578	888	233	1,847	4,944	1,286	44	150	4,849	1,919	202	1,514
South West Metropolitan	11,495	6,493	3,976	1,026	232	2,016	7,557	1,458	47	185	3,262	261	1,293	6,679
Wessex	3,475	1,606	1,494	375	148	797	1,698	543	25	64	1,695	63	98	1,619
Oxford	4,391	1,948	2,040	403	172	989	2,366	783	17	64	2,444	221	160	1,566
South Western	6,170	2,863	2,725	582	212	1,475	3,332	1,005	31	115	4,242	974	50	904
Welsh	5,116	2,173	2,420	523	134	1,132	2,815	978	28	29	3,458	-	96	1,562
Birmingham	11,722	5,520	5,108	1,094	381	2,841	6,384	1,893	65	158	2,307	4,870	95	4,450
Manchester	8,316	3,861	3,429	1,026	277	1,844	4,665	1,386	36	108	4,577	1	221	3,517
Liverpool	4,366	2,142	1,707	517	86	1,019	2,484	704	21	52	1,540	1,783	57	966
County and London Boroughs administrative county:														
Bedfordshire														
Luton C.B.	437	178	224	35	18	87	247	73	1	11	311	40	2	84
Administrative county	732	285	375	72	23	153	405	129	7	15	523	53	52	104
Berkshire														
Reading C.B.	376	157	169	50	8	74	220	67	1	6	173	5	7	191
Administrative county	990	422	479	89	33	194	566	179	2	16	503	128	46	313
Buckinghamshire														
Administrative county	1,298	547	634	117	36	293	669	265	10	25	536	148	52	562
Cambridgeshire and Isle of Ely														
Administrative county	705	354	291	60	20	170	390	104	5	16	557	81	10	57
Cambridge M.B.	322	189	98	35	6	73	195	39	-	9	236	50	2	34
Cheshire														
Birkenhead C.B.	279	137	111	31	2	68	162	41	2	4	78	128	-	73
Stockport C.B.	261	152	81	28	11	62	144	39	-	5	106	-	1	154
Administrative county	1,894	830	887	177	55	425	959	415	12	28	738	256	137	763
Cornwall														
Administrative county	597	256	278	63	19	119	342	101	4	12	384	65	4	144
Cumberland														
Administrative county	281	111	141	29	7	69	136	61	5	3	196	-	7	78
Derbyshire														
Derby C.B.	474	202	224	48	15	106	263	80	-	10	260	94	1	119
Administrative county	960	383	494	83	36	208	499	202	7	8	405	302	7	246

TABLE 17 - continued

Area of usual residence	Total	Marital status			Age						Hospital region of operation			
											Home region		Other region	
		Single	Married	Others	Under 16	16-19	20-34	35-44	45 and over	Not stated	NHS Hospital	Non NHS	NHS Hospital	Non NHS
Devon														
Plymouth C.B.	364	183	129	52	10	101	193	48	1	11	314	10	1	39
Torbay C.B.	286	155	101	30	5	72	155	47	2	5	236	10	2	38
Administrative county	758	330	366	62	33	170	379	156	5	15	612	32	4	110
Dorset														
Administrative county	539	249	232	58	17	135	274	96	3	14	241	4	25	269
Poole M.B.	184	84	82	18	4	44	107	27	-	2	59	-	2	123
Durham														
Sunderland C.B.	357	115	192	50	7	53	201	88	3	5	322	-	-	35
Administrative county	1,351	516	694	141	47	275	732	276	6	15	1,217	9	4	121
Essex														
Southend-on-Sea C.B.	295	138	119	38	7	77	162	46	1	2	165	74	-	56
Administrative county	2,504	960	1,307	237	59	521	1,408	438	15	63	1,630	480	51	343
Basildon U.D.	323	103	180	40	10	58	193	57	2	3	269	25	29	
Thurrock U.D.	218	90	112	16	-	45	138	31	-	4	134	46	3	35
Gloucestershire														
Bristol C.B.	1,138	610	415	113	48	272	651	141	5	21	743	338	5	52
Administrative county	1,145	471	575	99	31	275	598	225	3	13	726	156	44	219
Greater London Council Area														
Barking L.B.	350	143	181	26	9	78	199	49	-	15	214	76	9	51
Barnet L.B.	1,193	602	474	117	16	177	805	172	3	20	471	343	38	341
Bexley L.B.	456	180	219	57	16	90	258	83	2	7	317	30	4	105
Brent L.B.	1,424	843	473	108	19	238	1,001	137	7	22	553	420	51	400
Bromley L.B.	718	323	325	70	22	144	407	132	4	9	343	57	22	296
Camden L.B.	1,425	992	310	123	18	178	1,061	123	-	45	581	432	50	362
Croydon L.B.	977	452	432	93	38	186	585	149	7	14	150	25	62	742
Ealing L.B.	1,163	546	541	76	20	161	770	158	6	48	509	336	42	276
Enfield L.B.	810	360	387	63	8	148	498	133	-	23	229	265	93	223
Greenwich L.B.	641	283	291	67	18	116	399	97	4	7	466	40	15	120
Hackney L.B.	881	475	310	96	23	160	565	112	2	19	238	324	74	245
Hammersmith L.B.	1,294	867	318	109	14	174	967	110	4	25	231	35	365	663
Haringey L.B.	1,555	804	605	146	17	205	1,083	202	4	44	546	283	304	422
Harrow L.B.	566	266	260	40	8	115	343	87	1	12	266	182	19	99
Harvering L.B.	606	266	299	41	11	139	330	98	6	22	350	142	10	104
Hillingdon L.B.	660	317	289	54	27	138	375	95	2	23	420	110	12	118
Hounslow L.B.	686	349	262	75	19	117	451	81	2	16	356	148	21	161
Islington L.B.	986	570	340	76	12	146	699	105	1	23	456	183	59	288
Kensington and Chelsea L.B.	1,935	1,463	324	148	5	243	1,540	121	2	24	336	74	264	1,261
Kingston upon Thames L.B.	401	196	169	36	12	87	231	61	1	9	174	8	11	208
Lambeth L.B.	1,374	756	470	148	23	248	912	166	1	24	407	38	361	568
Lewisham L.B.	861	446	326	89	19	159	556	116	3	8	569	69	24	199
Merton L.B.	528	249	233	46	16	90	330	83	2	7	228	9	16	275
Newham L.B.	843	361	378	84	16	167	524	109	3	24	271	315	25	232
Redbridge L.B.	612	295	262	55	11	121	370	95	3	12	126	313	20	153
Richmond upon Thames L.B.	581	328	206	47	8	91	394	72	2	14	147	155	154	125
Southwark L.B.	1,189	616	445	128	19	257	748	139	5	21	866	68	60	195
Sutton L.B.	380	169	177	34	13	52	253	54	2	6	184	14	12	170
Tower Hamlets L.B.	551	282	220	49	5	130	321	82	3	10	249	165	14	123
Waltham Forest L.B.	692	318	318	56	14	150	434	85	-	9	80	415	34	163
Wandsworth L.B.	1,504	845	531	128	26	236	1,030	177	5	30	664	32	78	730
Westminster, City of and City of London	2,066	1,494	421	151	7	237	1,611	168	2	41	459	870	165	572
Hampshire														
Bournemouth C.B.	377	226	114	37	10	96	218	46	1	6	127	-	9	241
Portsmouth C.B.	325	157	129	39	16	75	174	52	3	5	209	1	2	113
Southampton C.B.	446	225	166	55	16	101	265	54	2	8	297	-	-	149
Administrative county	1,679	705	799	175	77	370	907	285	11	29	707	41	61	870
Havant and Waterloo U.D.	214	78	104	32	9	45	116	37	4	3	128	-	9	77
Herefordshire														
Administrative county	333	150	149	34	8	79	176	65	-	5	93	113	19	108
Hertfordshire														
Administrative county	2,033	967	885	181	58	471	1,095	362	14	33	844	410	88	691
Huntingdon and Peterborough														
Administrative county	437	168	231	38	17	88	235	87	2	8	348	12	34	43
Kent														
Administrative county	2,754	1,166	1,301	287	93	640	1,494	473	13	41	1,820	414	54	466

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Area of usual residence	Total	Marital status			Age						Hospital region of operation			
		Single	Married	Others	Under 16	16-19	20-34	35-44	45 and over	Not stated	Home region		Other region	
											NHS Hospital	Non NHS	NHS Hospital	Non NHS
Lancashire														
Blackburn C.B.	198	84	81	33	6	47	108	35	2	-	146	-	1	51
Blackpool C.B.	351	188	118	45	15	86	193	53	4	4	69	-	12	270
Bolton C.B.	280	113	121	46	10	56	171	41	-	2	173	-	3	104
Liverpool C.B.	1,450	810	449	191	26	348	877	176	4	19	559	629	4	258
Manchester C.B.	1,324	771	387	166	40	285	820	161	4	14	675	-	7	642
Oldham C.B.	199	84	81	34	4	42	125	26	-	2	154	-	4	41
St. Helens C.B.	199	70	98	31	6	34	122	34	-	3	77	71	5	46
Salford C.B.	249	114	97	38	10	44	146	45	-	4	166	-	1	82
Administrative county	4,030	1,736	1,830	464	126	896	2,197	742	21	48	2,158	394	78	1,400
Leicestershire														
Leicester C.B.	794	405	325	64	34	200	433	110	3	14	132	215	3	444
Administrative county	831	371	392	68	25	205	444	137	2	18	154	181	33	463
Lincolnshire (parts of Holland)														
Administrative county	143	52	76	15	5	33	75	23	2	5	39	5	63	36
Lincolnshire (parts of Kesteven)														
Administrative county	247	96	130	21	10	55	115	62	-	5	122	30	12	83
Lincolnshire (parts of Lindsey)														
Administrative county	579	242	288	49	22	157	278	115	3	4	429	52	11	87
Norfolk														
Norwich C.B.	300	154	107	39	17	71	153	52	-	7	155	-	4	141
Administrative county	574	219	309	46	25	110	284	137	2	16	370	41	5	158
Northamptonshire														
Northampton C.B.	332	158	134	40	15	78	176	58	1	4	195	7	8	122
Administrative county	558	222	280	56	26	125	301	95	-	11	247	27	20	264
Northumberland														
Newcastle upon Tyne C.B.	703	354	260	89	19	167	401	102	5	9	664	-	2	37
Administrative county	713	287	347	79	23	163	366	148	7	6	641	1	2	69
Nottinghamshire														
Nottingham C.B.	661	329	262	70	17	159	365	108	3	9	228	277	2	154
Administrative county	1,068	461	492	115	38	281	551	188	2	8	347	439	7	275
Oxfordshire														
Oxford C.B.	446	277	141	28	11	107	262	63	-	3	355	30	6	55
Administrative county	701	301	342	58	40	153	373	121	3	11	482	80	10	129
Shropshire														
Administrative county	643	289	309	45	20	151	346	116	3	7	199	182	15	247
Somerset														
Administrative county	1,011	454	474	83	38	262	513	169	5	24	637	231	11	132
Staffordshire														
Dudley C.B.	359	145	186	28	7	85	186	75	2	4	19	177	-	163
Stoke on Trent C.B.	481	223	194	64	15	119	259	76	3	9	304	81	2	94
Walsall C.B.	449	207	206	36	18	110	242	66	3	10	48	205	-	196
West Bromwich C.B.	301	129	146	26	8	69	166	52	3	3	23	162	-	116
Wolverhampton C.B.	689	319	308	62	24	159	369	120	9	8	63	278	1	347
Administrative county	1,332	549	665	118	41	323	707	236	9	16	386	431	17	496
Suffolk, East														
Ipswich C.B.	194	79	91	24	6	37	106	42	3	-	112	9	4	69
Administrative county	290	101	155	34	10	51	144	78	4	3	182	8	4	96
Suffolk, West														
Administrative county	399	157	196	46	18	82	231	65	1	2	329	9	19	42
Surrey														
Administrative county	2,067	995	898	174	54	428	1,178	368	14	25	617	76	91	1,283
Sussex, East														
Brighton C.B.	535	312	170	53	13	134	320	60	-	8	108	414	2	11
Administrative county	916	455	374	87	22	198	525	139	11	21	197	625	15	79
Sussex, West														
Administrative county	1,046	517	423	106	34	268	536	177	9	22	278	2	37	729
Warwickshire														
Birmingham C.B.	3,105	1,715	1,097	293	114	801	1,725	412	13	40	390	1,478	4	1,233
Coventry C.B.	892	435	357	100	29	218	501	128	3	13	104	344	-	444
Solihull C.B.	241	109	116	16	10	61	116	38	1	5	76	117	-	48
Administrative county	1,393	637	648	108	43	349	750	219	6	26	228	638	15	512
Meriden R.D.	276	117	128	31	8	69	149	39	2	9	38	130	-	108

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Area of usual residence	Total	Marital status			Age						Hospital region of operation			
		Single	Married	Others	Under 16	16-19	20-34	35-44	45 and over	Not stated	Home region		Other region	
											NHS Hospital	Non NHS	NHS Hospital	Non NHS
Wight, Isle of														
Administrative county	162	71	74	17	6	35	93	26	1	1	65	-	2	95
Wiltshire	826	334	417	75	35	177	458	131	10	15	449	97	27	253
Worcestershire														
Warley C.B.	340	150	160	30	16	78	184	58	1	3	44	191	-	105
Administrative county	913	352	457	104	20	180	525	172	9	7	271	384	15	243
Yorkshire, East Riding														
Kingston upon Hull C.B.	312	160	114	38	11	82	174	43	-	2	211	30	-	71
Administrative county	368	160	178	30	8	83	199	71	4	3	280	10	18	60
Yorkshire, North Riding														
Teesside C.B.	742	316	347	79	16	194	400	123	4	5	655	-	3	84
Administrative county	588	247	305	36	22	132	300	115	2	17	344	77	55	112
Yorkshire, West Riding														
Bradford C.B.	472	248	172	52	17	121	259	65	1	9	107	-	3	362
Huddersfield C.B.	274	109	140	25	5	61	156	50	1	1	32	-	3	239
Leeds C.B.	1,220	580	476	164	32	289	697	185	7	10	312	-	3	905
Sheffield C.B.	954	458	393	103	33	239	487	173	8	14	432	468	2	52
York C.B.	197	110	60	27	7	52	108	29	-	1	24	-	2	171
Administrative county	3,000	1,171	1,551	298	116	611	1,592	627	19	35	1,436	230	158	1,176
Caernarvonshire														
Administrative county	231	112	101	18	1	45	132	49	3	1	85	-	5	141
Carmarthenshire														
Administrative county	313	120	158	35	5	65	174	66	3	-	287	-	-	26
Denbighshire														
Administrative county	297	146	122	29	5	78	166	47	1	-	128	-	12	157
Flintshire														
Administrative county	308	129	143	36	7	60	170	69	1	1	72	-	31	205
Glamorgan														
Cardiff C.B.	480	274	148	58	13	122	274	64	-	7	217	-	5	258
Swansea C.B.	525	231	239	55	16	123	295	89	2	-	486	-	2	37
Administrative county	1,390	501	748	141	42	290	745	295	9	9	1,131	-	6	251
Monmouthshire														
Newport C.B.	213	106	81	26	6	49	121	37	-	-	137	-	3	73
Administrative county	619	248	316	55	24	134	334	121	3	3	454	-	6	159

TABLE 18. Legally induced abortions by marital status, occupation group, hospital region of usual residence and category of premises

Hospital region of usual residence	Category of premises	Total	Single		Married		Others	
			Professionals		Not stated		Professionals	
			Skilled	Unskilled	Skilled	Unskilled	Skilled	Unskilled
ENGLAND AND WALES	NHS	55,456	92	2,481	6,954	5,119	3,208	8,931
	Non NHS	55,112	267	5,335	14,098	3,959	5,345	7,739
Newcastle	NHS	4,739	4	178	627	214	108	384
	Non NHS	660	4	58	177	34	14	53
Leeds	NHS	2,402	1	63	278	762	201	41
	Non NHS	3,307	11	278	762	305	114	47
Sheffield	NHS	3,705	4	73	1,359	165	70	340
	Non NHS	4,541	15	364	1,132	322	63	401
East Anglian	NHS	2,305	3	81	234	78	40	220
	Non NHS	841	5	66	222	52	13	101
North West Metropolitan	NHS	7,616	32	561	1,206	422	71	634
	Non NHS	8,425	70	994	2,279	783	82	959
North East Metropolitan	NHS	4,043	5	191	478	157	47	333
	Non NHS	4,449	16	451	1,157	267	42	311
South East Metropolitan	NHS	5,051	4	275	737	180	52	444
	Non NHS	3,133	11	386	927	229	38	352
South West Metropolitan	NHS	4,555	15	333	770	237	29	457
	Non NHS	6,940	48	857	1,894	521	45	810
Wessex	NHS	1,793	1	50	115	37	13	172
	Non NHS	1,882	10	128	462	122	33	200
Oxford	NHS	2,604	6	113	309	115	28	296
	Non NHS	1,787	10	170	365	127	21	195
South Western	NHS	4,292	6	180	559	232	76	456
	Non NHS	1,878	8	150	378	117	26	248
Welsh	NHS	3,554	5	121	409	125	83	303
	Non NHS	1,562	8	146	394	88	24	183
Birmingham	NHS	2,402	1	47	177	89	15	264
	Non NHS	9,320	23	696	2,214	684	141	757
Manchester	NHS	4,798	2	153	589	308	24	441
	Non NHS	3,518	17	314	979	238	24	347
Liverpool	NHS	1,597	3	62	176	47	16	131
	Non NHS	2,769	11	277	757	174	48	201

TABLE 19. Medical grounds for legally induced abortions, number of reasons given by category of premises
 (includes answers to questions 11a and b, and excludes answers to question 11c on the notification form)

ICD 8th Rev.	Medical conditions	NUMBER OF REASONS GIVEN*					
		PRIMARY CONDITION MENTIONED		SECONDARY CONDITION MENTIONED		SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FOETUS	
		Relating to present pregnancy	Relating to previous pregnancy	NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS
056	Rubella	785	55	-	-	-	-
0560	Rubella contact	637	44	-	-	-	-
0561	Rubella immunisation	126	10	-	-	-	-
0562		22	1	-	-	-	-
000-055)	Other infective and parasitic diseases	170	17	13	1	-	10
057-138)	Tuberculosis	97	3	8	1	-	2
010-019	Sarcoidosis	18	-	-	-	-	-
135							-
150-159	Malignant neoplasm of digestive organs and peritoneum	2	-	1	-	-	-
180-184	Malignant neoplasm of female reproductive tract	21	1	-	-	-	-
140-149)	Other malignant neoplasm of specified sites (including secondary neoplasm)	56	1	1	-	-	-
160-174)		45	1	1	-	-	-
188, 189)	Malignant neoplasm of breast	16	-	-	-	-	-
174		17	15	10	5	-	-
180-199	Malignant neoplasm of other and unspecified sites	19	1	-	-	1	-
200-209	Neoplasm of lymphatic and haemopoietic tissue	110	17	15	10	-	-
218-221	Benign neoplasm of female reproductive tract	91	-	-	-	-	-
218	Uterine fibroma	17	-	-	-	-	-
220	Benign neoplasm of ovary	18	-	-	-	-	-
210-217)	Benign neoplasm of other sites	6	1	3	-	1	-
223-228)		-	-	-	-	-	-
230-239	Neoplasm of unspecified nature	45	2	4	-	1	-
234	Neoplasm of unspecified nature of uterus	36	2	3	-	-	-
240-258	Endocrine diseases	180	13	21	2	1	1
242	Thyroidoxcosis with or without goitre	44	3	8	1	-	-
250	Diabetes mellitus	106	9	9	-	-	-
260-269	Nutritional diseases	7	-	2	-	2	3
270-279	Other metabolic diseases	41	9	13	5	20	1
277	Obesity not specified as of endocrine origin	32	6	13	5	-	-
280-289	Diseases of blood and blood-forming organs	49	9	11	3	-	19
282	Hereditary haemolytic anaemia	14	3	3	2	5	-
280-299	Mental disorders - Psychoses	398	34	7	3	-	-
295	Schizophrenia	93	2	1	-	-	-
296	Affective psychoses	133	29	4	2	-	-
300	Mental disorders - Neuroses	15,793	43,024	585	119	-	-
301	Mental disorders - Personality disorders	253	24	7	1	-	-
303-304	Mental disorders - Alcoholism, drug dependence	33	2	2	-	-	-
304	Drug dependence	28	1	1	-	-	-
302-305-309)	Mental disorders - Other non-psychotic	14,506	2,787	269	43	-	-
307	Transient situational disturbances	14,486	2,785	269	43	-	-
310-315	Mental retardation	177	2	10	10	11	-
315	Unspecified mental retardation	177	-	-	-	11	-
320-358	Diseases of nervous system	247	16	21	19	1	29
330	Hereditary neuromuscular disorders	9	-	1	8	2	-
340	Multiple sclerosis	44	2	1	1	1	20
345	Epilepsy	142	10	10	4	-	4

* A single case may provide up to three reasons, one in each of the divisions, i.e. primary maternal, secondary maternal and foetal.

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ICD 8th Rev.	Medical conditions	NUMBER OF REASONS GIVEN*					
		PRIMARY CONDITION MENTIONED		SECONDARY CONDITION MENTIONED		SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FETUS	
		Relating to present pregnancy		Relating to present pregnancy		Condition of foetus in previous pregnancy	
		NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS
360-389	Eye and ear diseases	39	2	6	-	3	-
390-398	Rheumatic heart disease and active rheumatic fever	108	2	10	1	-	-
394	Diseases of mitral valve	65	1	5	-	-	-
400-429	Other heart disease and hypertensive disease	425	24	66	7	-	-
401	Essential benign hypertension	532	16	54	7	-	-
429	Ili-defined heart disease	31	3	5	-	-	-
430-438	Cerebrovascular disease	29	1	4	-	-	-
440-458	Other diseases of circulatory system	208	16	21	3	-	-
450	Pulmonary embolism and infarction	38	3	1	-	-	-
451	Phlebitis and thrombophlebitis	40	3	5	-	-	-
454	Varicose veins of lower extremities	56	7	8	2	-	-
460-519	Diseases of respiratory system	194	10	21	1	-	-
493	Asthma	136	8	11	-	-	-
518	Bronchiectasis	27	1	12	-	-	-
520-569	Other diseases of digestive system	85	3	9	-	-	-
563	Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	56	2	2	-	-	-
570-577	Diseases of liver, gallbladder and pancreas	25	1	4	-	-	-
580-599	Diseases of urinary system	153	9	20	-	-	-
582	Chronic nephritis	14	-	-	-	-	-
590	Infections of kidney	56	3	6	-	-	-
610-611	Diseases of breast	2	-	-	-	-	-
612-629	Diseases of female genital tract	94	6	15	-	-	-
623	Uterovaginal prolapse	21	2	2	-	-	-
626	Disorders of menstruation	44	2	11	-	-	-
630-678	See next page	-	-	-	-	-	-
680-709	Diseases of skin and subcutaneous tissue	24	1	2	3	-	-
710-738	Diseases of musculoskeletal system and connective tissue	121	8	12	-	-	-
712	Rheumatoid arthritis and allied conditions	34	2	1	-	-	-
725	Displacement of intervertebral disc	34	2	3	-	-	-
740-759	Congenital anomalies	89	11	11	-	-	-
741	Spina bifida	7	1	2	-	-	-
753	Congenital anomalies of heart	26	1	5	-	-	-
759	Congenital anomalies of urinary system	13	3	3	-	-	-
760-779	Congenital syndromes affecting multiple systems	15	1	42	3	92	4
775	Maternal conditions associated with perinatal morbidity (placenta and child)	-	1	-	24	2	267
	Haemolytic disease of newborn without mention of kernicterus	-	-	-	7	2	164
780-796	Symptoms and ill-defined conditions (including medical reason unknown)	132	31	13	-	4	-
790	Nervousness and debility	18	25	2	-	-	-
N80-N999	Accidents, poisonings and violence (nature of injury)	38	5	26	1	249	24
N962	Adverse effect of hormones and synthetic substitutes	2	-	10	1	17	2
N990	Effects of radiation	1	-	-	-	135	9

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NUMBER OF REASONS GIVEN*

ICD 8th Rev.	Medical conditions	SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FETUS											
		PRIMARY CONDITION MENTIONED			SECONDARY CONDITION MENTIONED			SUSPECTED MEDICAL CONDITION OF FETUS					
		Relating to previous pregnancy		Relating to present pregnancy	Relating to previous pregnancy		Relating to present pregnancy	Condition of foetus in previous pregnancy		Condition of foetus in present pregnancy		Suspected condition in present foetus	
		NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS	NHS	Non NHS
630-634	Complications of pregnancy	171	11	200	20	10	-	16	1	-	-	-	-
632	Haemorrhage of pregnancy	5	-	23	4	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
635-639	Urinary infections and toxæmias of pregnancy	133	12	169	22	12	1	10	-	-	-	-	-
637	Pre-eclampsia, eclampsia and toxæmia unspecified	124	9	100	10	10	1	5	-	-	-	-	-
638	Hyperemesis gravidarum	3	3	62	10	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
640-645	Complications of abortion (and previous abortions)	24	3	3	1	2	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
643	Spontaneous abortion	21	3	1	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
649	Pregnancy in the presence of IUCD and/or previous recurrent premature or stillbirth deliveries	-	-	90	10	-	-	8	1	-	-	-	-
650-678	Complications of delivery and puerperium (and previous delivery)	83	7	163	17	13	2	25	-	-	-	-	-
669	Surgical procedures in present or previous pregnancy, previous Caesarean section	-	-	131	14	-	-	21	-	-	-	-	-

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TABLE 20. Legally induced abortions by marital status,
occupation group and (i) statutory grounds
(ii) gestation weeks

Statutory grounds and gestation weeks	Total	Single		Married						Others			
		Professionals	Intermediate	Not stated	Unskilled	Semi-skilled	Intermediate	Professionals	Intermediate	Not stated	Unskilled	Semi-skilled	Intermediate
(i) Statutory grounds*													
1	1,228	5	45	101	40	7	69	40	34	124	276	94	36
2	84,890	347	7,476	20,307	6,065	1,279	9,929	4,716	1,102	4,020	9,684	3,532	1,396
3	3,520	1	36	87	42	8	103	120	58	244	796	308	201
4	1,115	1	16	41	15	6	21	29	56	114	309	90	35
5	7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	3	—	—	—	—
6	10	—	—	2	—	—	—	—	5	—	2	1	—
2 with 4	904	1	32	50	30	6	38	37	33	96	207	74	27
3 with others	18,894	4	211	465	270	60	304	436	493	1,948	5,390	1,902	769
(ii) Gestation weeks†													
Under 9	24,053	97	2,064	4,112	1,095	163	1,973	805	654	2,158	4,070	1,387	415
9	18,171	63	1,372	3,381	977	165	1,621	694	347	1,186	3,066	1,046	368
10	18,419	57	1,304	3,584	1,029	230	1,665	835	263	1,100	2,878	966	457
11	15,899	52	1,046	3,184	987	224	1,487	850	193	781	2,297	861	365
12	11,682	34	737	2,479	775	197	1,159	673	115	505	1,601	642	222
13	7,331	18	468	1,483	535	142	752	483	64	289	931	385	184
14	4,339	13	253	881	360	66	483	266	30	153	547	216	99
15	2,632	7	141	520	225	47	325	176	18	77	323	125	90
16	1,828	4	105	385	136	35	226	129	18	50	215	79	46
17-19	2,383	5	137	491	164	56	326	186	14	65	251	102	48
20-25	833	3	43	161	62	8	141	68	8	23	75	34	19
24 and over	142	1	8	24	5	3	18	10	2	3	26	6	4
Not stated	2,856	5	138	370	133	32	288	203	50	156	390	152	67

* For statutory grounds see page v.

† For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

TABLE 21. Legally induced abortions by marital status, occupation group, duration of stay and category of premises

Duration of stay and category of premises	Total	Single		Married		Others	
		Not stated		Professionals		Skilled	
		Unskilled	Other	Unskilled	Intermediate	Unskilled	Skilled
NHS hospitals	55,456	92	2,481	6,954	2,504	711	5,119
Non NHS	55,112	267	5,335	14,099	3,959	655	5,345
0 days							
NHS hospitals	3,476	11	231	531	179	40	284
Non NHS	1,458	5	108	314	95	13	104
1 day							
NHS hospitals	6,618	18	348	1,057	304	69	682
Non NHS	49,779	243	4,896	12,942	3,606	600	4,755
2 days							
NHS hospitals	17,458	30	934	2,509	855	252	1,845
Non NHS	2,846	16	260	675	209	30	334
3 days							
NHS hospitals	8,604	10	376	1,177	443	156	855
Non NHS	330	2	20	58	23	4	55
4 days							
NHS hospitals	3,487	4	143	427	191	45	356
Non NHS	1,122	1	7	19	4	3	18
5 days							
NHS hospitals	1,860	4	58	182	74	21	102
Non NHS	80	-	5	12	1	2	3
6 days							
NHS hospitals	1,341	2	25	95	41	10	85
Non NHS	78	-	4	12	2	-	1
7 days and over							
NHS hospitals	6,568	5	93	281	164	47	304
Non NHS	243	-	21	36	9	1	38
Not stated							
NHS hospitals	6,044	8	273	695	253	71	524
Non NHS	176	-	14	31	10	2	15

TABLE 22. Deaths following legally induced abortions by age, gestation weeks and operation

Gestation weeks*	Operation	Under 16	16-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45 and over
Under 9 weeks	Abdominal (Hysterotomy (Hysterectomy								
	Vaginal (Vacuum aspiration (Other methods								
9 to 12 weeks	Abdominal (Hysterotomy (Hysterectomy					(1)			
	Vaginal (Vacuum aspiration (Other methods			1					(1)
13 to 16 weeks	Abdominal (Hysterotomy (Hysterectomy								
	Vaginal (Vacuum aspiration (Other methods								
	Other			1					
17 weeks and over	Abdominal (Hysterotomy (Hysterectomy								
	Vaginal (Vacuum aspiration (Other methods								
Not stated	Abdominal (Hysterotomy (Hysterectomy								
	Vaginal (Vacuum aspiration (Other methods								

On certification of cause of death see page viii.
 Bracketed figures indicate that sterilisation was also performed in these cases.
 There were also 2 deaths of non-resident women.

* For definition of gestation weeks see page vi.

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